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MORRISON BREAKTHROUGH

High Fives All Round At Warragul United

Jim Morrison took Saturday's first win of the 2008 season in his stride. While other coaches would be sweating on a result after just two draws in six games, the Warragul United mentor, in his first senior coaching job, added weight to the stereotype of the dour Scot. "It's nice to get a first win," was his glib response to the senior team's 5–1 thumping of Rowville Eagles in their Provisional One South-East clash at Warragul.

Come on Jim, give us a wee bit more. "OK, it was a big relief. Not for me, in fact on a personal level it was no big deal, but to see the relief on the faces of the players was rewarding. I was very, very happy for them. "Remember that in our first six matches we played the top five teams in the league and I'm talking about the likes of Noble Park that have about eight players from Springvale White Eagles while Nunawading have recruited players who played in the seniors in State One last season. And I hear that Nunawading will be making a couple more signings when the transfer window opens."

And that was that. Three points in the bag so time to look forward to next weekend's match. Morrison's breakthrough win may kick-start season 2008 for Warragul but it's the big picture that really excites him and the thought of playing a part in guiding the former Gippsland League outfit to a position of strength in FFV ranks. "I've seen this (his appointment) as a long-term project from the outset. Off the field the club has an ambitious five-year plan that involves a major redevelopment of acreage near the freeway. We're looking at three full pitches and social rooms."

If the club can get the council to come to the party then the site could become home to a footballing powerhouse. There are over 300 juniors registered with Warragul United and last month's come-and-try day for the under-8s attracted 64 hopefuls. Over 70 youngsters attended the under-10s try-out day. "David Rock is the junior coordinator and he even coaches one of the teams so he's absolutely got his hands full but the man does a fantastic job."

Morrison, a rabid Morton supporter, was born in Greenock in Scotland, 27 miles west of Glasgow (his description of his home town as "a quaint fishing village on the Clyde" gives you an insight into his sense of humour) and his path to Australia took quite a few twists and turns (including time spent in Canada) before he eventually settled down here with wife Kim in 1993.

He may look cool in this photo but Warragul United senior coach Jim Morrison can cut an intense and involved figure as he patrols his technical area on matchday.

The highlight of his playing career in Britain was playing with Cheam in the Surrey League and a "very brief stay with Sutton United" in what was then known as the Doc Martens League. And the reason for the fleeting stint with Sutton United? "I wasn't good enough. I didn't become a smart player until my late 20s."

In Victoria he played with Karingal for a season and remembers a teenage goalkeeper called Chris Jones playing there too. When Karingal merged with Frankston to form Frankston Strikers, Morrison joined Rosebud (in 1994) and has been playing in the Bayside League ever since (for some time now with the aptly named Rosebud Dinosaurs).

His coaching career kicked off at junior level with Frankston Strikers and like many parents he ended up coaching his son, Scott. Morrison's senior coaching link with Langwarrin started in season 2004 when he assisted then reserves coach Alan Fairclough. Morrison took over as reserves coach prior to the 2005 season and also gained his senior coaching badge that year.

The senior badge was broken into three components – a practical component, a sports medicine component, and a general principles' component – and cost around $700 then. Morrison reckons that it was money well spent. "It changed my whole perspective of the game and it's actually extremely useful in practical terms. You always think that you know the game until you go on these courses. You find yourself saying 'I didn't know that' and you find yourself saying it more and more. It's an eye-opener. I can watch teams at any level now and appreciate what they are trying to do and how they are going about it. You find that you understand the game so much better."

Morrison's record with the Langy reserves is impressive, having finished third in 2006 and runner-up in 2007 while introducing many youngsters to senior football. One of Morrison's promising teenagers, Kevin McAlister, made his senior debut a fortnight back in Langwarrin's 4–0 rout of Clifton Hill. So why did Morrison leave Lawton Park? "I was offered the Warragul senior job. I'd had three years under Gus (Macleod) which was like an apprenticeship and I'm thankful for that but you coach for the challenge and to keep coaching Langwarrin's reserves was not challenging.

"Jason Dastey (Warragul's goalkeeper) was a huge influence. He spoke to me about the club and when I went down there I got a very good feel for the place straight away. There are a lot of good people associated with this club and I enjoy being there. There's a good atmosphere.

"The senior president, Bert Jackson, also is my team manager. He's a very hard worker and an extremely capable person. You've got guys like Sid and Bobby who do just about everything and work tirelessly then there's Irene in the canteen who is a legend."

On the coaching front, Morrison is assisted by Dastey ("the best keeper in the league") while the reserves squad is coached by Dave Cooper. Morrison's main signings this season have been Gavin Coleman, Mark Chaplin and son Scott, players he mentored at Langwarrin, and midfielder David Humphreys from Knox City. But he finds attracting players can be a daunting proposition.

"There's no doubt that we lack depth and in many of our games so far we have been struggling to score. We create untold amount of chances but we have been paying a price for not finishing.

"Everyone thinks you're at the end of the earth at Warragul but it's only a 35-minute drive from Berwick and it's a club with some tremendous young players. One of them is Paul Cooper who has been an absolute standout lately."

Cooper had been playing at the back but Morrison tinkered with the line-up last Saturday. He welcomed back the experience of Paul McCluskey, using the ex-Morwell Falcons player at sweeper and releasing Cooper to play in behind target man Scott Morrison. And all these moves worked a treat.

This Saturday though, the club faces another hurdle as it travels to H. A. Smith Reserve, Hawthorn, to take on Scotch Old Boys who will be determined to bounce back after their 7–0 humiliation at the hands of Nunawading.

Even though four teams will be relegated this season, Morrison isn't daunted by what's ahead. He'll allow his players to enjoy last weekend's success for a day or two then it'll be back to business on the training track as he prepares his charges to take another small step towards consolidating their Provisional One status.

Warragul United assistant coach and senior goalkeeper Jason Dastey effected a superb one-handed save against Nunawading recently.

Words by Craig MacKenzie
Photos by Warragul United

RED DEVILS SEEK DOUBLE, BLUES HOPE FOR REVENGE

As Manchester United head into their historic Champions League Final clash with Premier League rivals Chelsea this Thursday, the Red Devils will hold a slim psychological advantage over the Londoners.

United's triumph over title challenger Chelsea on the penultimate day of the English Premier League season will see them into the final brimming with confidence after securing their 17th domestic title last weekend.

The Blues, on the other hand, will be slightly deflated by their failure to clinch the League trophy from the Red Devils' grasp, but will be determined to gain revenge over their English rivals on Europe's grandest stage.

Although the encounter will be unique in that it will be the first final to feature two English sides, both finalists will known each other inside out.

Having been the English Premier League's dominant title challengers in recent seasons, a slight psychological advantage may be pivotal in separating the two sides and the final outcome of the match.

But Chelsea, despite their recent league loss, may use their disappointment as extra motivation to provide further mental strength for their side.

It will be Chelsea's best chance to secure a first ever Champions League trophy, and silence critics who have targeted the club's inability to progress past the semi-final stage, despite the millions of pounds injected into the club.

Manchester will also be looking to add to its own illustrious history; a victory in Wednesday's final will see it complete a famous Champions League and domestic double, and will place a third European Cup in the Old Trafford trophy cabinet.

Leading up to United's most important game in the club's history since their 1999 triumph in the same competition, manager Sir Alex Ferguson is facing an unusual selection dilemma, with 26 first team players fit and ready to play in Moscow.

The United squad is currently injury and suspension free, which ironically leaves Sir Alex with a selection headache, with all players eager to feature in arguably the biggest match of their careers.

But due to UEFA regulations, Ferguson will have to omit eight players from his squad of 26, with only 18 players allowed to participate in Moscow.

Paul Scholes will be one certain starter in Russia; after missing the 1999 final against Bayern Munich through suspension, Ferguson promised the midfield maestro a starting position to erase the memories of missing out nine years ago.

Despite the selection drama, Ferguson admits his side in a fantastic position to lift a third European Cup, a trophy which he has claimed just once in 13 attempts, highlighting its status as the world's most prestigious club trophy.

United may also have a slight advantage in the players department, having a certain Cristiano Ronaldo in their squad.

Ronaldo has taken both Europe and the Premier League by storm this season, scoring a total of 41 goals in all competitions and showing his pace, deadly finishing and audacious ability throughout the season.

He will be a key figure in the clash; his ability to unlock the tightest of defences will make him a marked man by Chelsea's back-line.

Chelsea will also be close to full strength, after manager Avram Grant announced that the influential trio of captain John Terry, defender Ricardo Carvalho and striker Didier Drogba have recovered from various injuries.

Portuguese defender Carvalho missed the final match of the English Premier League season against Bolton, whilst Terry dislocated his elbow and Drogba jarred his knee in the disappointing 1-1 draw last Sunday.

It will be tough to pick a winner, but Chelsea's 2-1 defeat of United in a crucial Premier League clash back in April shows that it will be a tough and closely fought encounter.

United and Chelsea also locked horns in a cup final last year, facing each other in the prestigious English F.A. Cup Final.

Unfortunately the final failed to live up to expectations and a dull 0-0 draw was played out in the 90 minute period, a Didier Drogba goal separating the sides in extra time.

This time around, we hope that the final produces a fantastic display of world-class football which highlights the status of the European Champions League as the greatest club competition in world.

The final of the Champions League between Manchester United and Chelsea will be broadcast live on SBS from 4.30am this Thursday morning (AEST).

Words by Julius Ross
Champions League Reporter

Can Drogba, Lampard and Ballack write the Blues into the history books?

Will Rooney and Ronaldo put a show on to remember?

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SOCCEROO SELECTS

World Cup Places Up For grabs

Places in the squad for the upcoming 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifiers will be on the line after Qantas Socceroos coach Pim Verbeek named his squad for the international friendly against Ghana to be played on Friday 23rd May at the Sydney Football Stadium.

With 'Super June' to feature four World Cup qualification matches, Verbeek has named some uncapped players in the team and some experienced names for the vital preparation match against the African powerhouse.

The Australian coach has made it clear an impressive performance will see the players given the chance to push for selection in the next qualifier against Iraq.

"We have always said that during the campaign to qualify for the World Cup we would need a large list of players," said Verbeek.

"This match will continue to build our depth and give us a chance to test some players out at the top level."

"Ghana are a very strong team and will provide us with the ideal match ahead of the game against Iraq the following week in Brisbane."

Matthew Spiranovic, Adam Federici and experienced Qantas Socceroos Mile Sterjovski and Michael Petkovic will take their places in their first camp since Verbeek took control.

Nick Carle will now be unavailable due to his club Bristol City being involved in the EPL Play-Off match with Hull City this week.

Meanwhile, Verbeek has granted the request of Mark Schwarzer to join the team camp late so that he can continue contract negotiations overseas.

Schwarzer was expected to join his teammates on Monday 19th May. The Australian goalkeeper is now due to arrive on Wednesday 21 May.

Verbeek also noted that four members of the Qantas under 23s who will be playing in the Intercontinental Cup in Malaysia would return to Australia and join the Qantas Socceroos squad after the first two matches of that tournament.

The match will be part of the double-header featuring the Australia women's team - The Matildas - up against Canada.

QANTAS SOCCEROOS SQUAD TO PLAY GHANA

Daniel Allsopp (Melbourne Victory), **Michael Beauchamp** (Nuremburg, Germany), **Mark Bridge** (Sydney FC), **Leigh Broxham** (Melbourne Vcitory), **Jacob Burns** (Unirea Valahorum, Romania), **Nick Carle** (Bristol City, England), **David Carney** (Sheffield United, England), **Ante Covic** (Newcastle Jets), **Jason Culina** (PSV Eindhoven, Netherlands), **Adam Federici** (Reading, England), **Adam Griffiths** (Newcastle Jets), **Joel Griffiths** (Avispa Fukuoka, Japan), **James Holland** (Newcastle Jets), **Mile Jedinak** (Central Coast Mariners), **Harry Kewell** (Liverpool, England), **Jade North** (Newcastle Jets), **Michael Petkovic** (Sivasspor, Turkey), **Mark Schwarzer** (Middlesbrough, England), **Matthew Spiranovic** (Nuremburg, Germany), **Mile Sterjovski** (Derby County, England), **Nikolai Topor-Stanley** (Perth Glory), **James Troisi** (Newcastle United, England), **Carl Valeri** (Grosseto, Italy), **Rodrigo Vargas** (Melbourne Victory)

Australia vs. Canada (women)
Australia vs. Ghana (men)
Friday 23rd May 2008
Sydney Football Stadium, Sydney
Kick Offs 5.15pm and 8.00pm
Gates Open 5pm

FOOTBALL FEDERATION AUSTRALIA

FFA BIDS FOR WORLD CLUB CUP

Football Federation Australia (FFA) CEO, Ben Buckley, announced that Australia has submitted a bid to host the 2009 and 2010 FIFA Club World Cup.

The FIFA Club World Cup comprises the champion club from each FIFA Confederation. Last year's winner was AC Milan with Argentina's Boca Juniors second and Urawa Red Diamonds from Japan, placed third.

"It's a very exciting competition, with the best team from each of the six FIFA Confederations and a team from the host nation participating," Buckley said.

"FIFA is looking for hosts for 2009 and 2010, and we believe Australia has very strong credentials.

"Australia has quality facilities; good systems and infrastructure and the capacity to develop more; stable governance; and football fans and all-round sports fans who are knowledgeable and passionate."

Australia's rivals for the Club World Cup are Japan and the United Arab Emirates, who Buckley also described as "very strong contenders".

"Japan has hosted the tournament for the past four years and will again in 2008. They have a proven track record in hosting this as well as co-hosting the FIFA World Cup.

"The United Arab Emirates, whose bid is based around Abu Dhabi, has first class facilities and resources to put towards a tournament of this nature."

Buckley said that it is a deliberate strategy of FFA to express an interest in hosting major football events.

"We want to be a strong and positive contributor to the world of football in as many ways as possible.

"Next week's FIFA Congress is part of that strategy, as is the 2015 Asian Cup, bidding for the 2018 FIFA World Cup and also the 2009 and 2010 Club World Cup."

A decision will be made on who will host the 2009 and 2010 FIFA Club World Cup when the FIFA Executive meets in Sydney next week, ahead of the 58th FIFA Congress and FFA's 'Super June' in which the Qantas Socceroos will play four World Cup qualifying matches in four weeks.

The FIFA Congress will attract around 2,000 delegates drawn from the 208 member nations of FIFA in what is football's biggest annual event off the field.

FIFA's Sepp Blatter presents the WCC trophy to AC Milan's Paolo Maldini.

FOXTEL CUP TRANSFERS

Igor Arsovski Preston Lions from Stirling Lions (WA)
Robert Dolevski Preston Lions from Heidelberg United
Nicholas Kalmar Altona Magic from Sunshine Georgies
Phillip Riccobene Altona Magic from Green Gully
Lukmon Anifaloyin Fawkner Blues from Dandaloo FC
Chris Camilleri Fawkner Blues from Penrith Nepean Utd (NSW)
Alan De La Cuadra Fawkner Blues from Colo Colo Wanderers (NSW)
Edemer Garcia Fawkner Blues from Coburg United
Chris Greechan Fawkner Blues from Richmond Eagles
Jason Dimozantos Frankston Pines from Port Melbourne
Jean-Philippe Javary Frankston Pines from Western Suburbs
Anastasios Psonis Frankston Pines from Port Melbourne
Peter Zois Frankston Pines from Altona Magic
Neven Antic Heidelberg United from Melbourne Knights
Peter Kotsopoulos Heidelberg United from N/A - Renewal
Angelos Papoutsis Heidelberg United from Mill Park
Brendan Beni Coburg United from Richmond Eagles
Nicholas Lazarevski Coburg United from Preston Lions
Dragi Nastevski Coburg United from Green Gully SC
Christopher Gregory Daglis Oakleigh Cannons from N/A - Renewal
Marco Kueck Richmond Eagles from The Cong Viettel FC (Vietnam)
Ihor Khrapko Western Suburbs from Oakleigh Cannons FC
Serkan Oksuz Western Suburbs from FC Clifton Hill SC (loan from Coburg United FC)
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FOXTEL CUP STANDINGS

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Green Gully Cavaliers	13	8	4	1	25	7	28
Melbourne Knights	13	7	6	0	22	10	27
Richmond	13	7	3	3	33	14	24
Oakleigh Cannons	12	7	3	2	18	9	24
Heidelberg Utd	13	6	5	2	19	14	23
Altona Magic	13	6	4	3	18	14	22
A.I.S	13	6	3	4	26	18	21
South Melbourne	13	6	0	7	20	17	18
Preston Lions	12	4	3	5	17	23	15
Coburg Utd	13	4	2	7	12	20	14
Whittlesea Zebras	13	3	3	7	15	22	12
Western Suburbs	12	2	3	7	11	24	9
Fawkner Blues	13	1	3	9	10	35	6
Frankston Pines	12	0	2	10	1	26	2

RESULTS

Oakleigh Cannons	3 - 0	Whittlesea Zebras
AIS	3 - 3	Richmond Eagles
Coburg United	0 - 2	Heidelberg United
Green Gully Cavaliers	6 - 1	Fawkner Blues
Preston Lions	2 - 3	Altona Magic
Western Suburbs	1 - 2	Melbourne Knights
South Melbourne	3 - 1	Frankston Pines

UNDER 21 DETAILS

Melbourne Knights 2 Green Gully Cavaliers 2, Richmond 0 Oakleigh Cannons 1, Frankston Pines 1 Coburg Utd 2, Altona Magic 0 V.I.S 1, Fawkner Blues 0 Preston Lions 0

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V.I.S	13	7	4	2	21	11	25
Richmond	13	8	0	5	31	18	24
Coburg Utd	12	7	2	3	26	14	23
Melbourne Knights	13	5	5	3	18	22	20
Frankston Pines	11	5	2	4	12	11	17
Whittlesea Zebras	13	5	1	7	24	27	16
Fawkner Blues	12	5	2	5	14	17	14
Preston Lions	12	3	5	4	12	15	14
Altona Magic	13	4	1	8	13	20	13
Oakleigh Cannons	12	3	3	6	12	16	12
South Melbourne	12	2	4	6	13	25	10
Western Suburbs	11	3	3	5	13	17	9
Heidelberg Utd	12	2	1	9	16	27	7

THE TOP MARKSMEN

Player, Club	Goals
Naidovski, Jason A.I.S	12
Cardozo, Richard Richmond SC	8
Curcija, Michael Altona Magic SC	8
Lagana, Frankie M Oakleigh Cannons FC	8
Cardozo, Pablo Richmond SC	7
Nikolic, Joel Green Gully Cavaliers SC	6
Catalano, Michael Richmond SC	5
Danning, Kofi D A.I.S	5
De Moraes, Fernando South Melbourne FC	5
Josifovski, Alexander Coburg United FC	5
Sapazovski, Johnny Preston Lions SC	5

ROUND FOURTEEN FIXTURES

Oakleigh Cannons
v
Frankston Pines
Jack Edwards Reserve
Fri 23 May KO 8:30PM

Green Gully Cavaliers
v
Altona Magic
Green Gully Reserve
Sat 24 May KO 4:00PM

Coburg Utd
v
Western Suburbs
Knights Stadium
Sat 24 May KO 6:00PM

Melbourne Knights
v
Fawkner Blues
Knights Stadium
Sun 25 May KO 3:00PM

Preston Lions
v
Richmond Eagles
BT Connor Reserve
Sun 25 May KO 3:00PM

South Melbourne
v
Heidelberg Utd
Bob Jane Stadium
Sun 25 May KO 4:00PM

Please check the
FFV website
for any fixture changes.

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RICHMOND EAGLES

SUPER TOP SIX STALEMATE

Eagles Fight Back from 3-0 Down

The Australian Institute of Sport hosted Richmond in a battle of the Top Six contenders at the AIS Field 14 on a cold Saturday in Canberra. On their home pitch, the Institute have proven to be unbeatable, only dropping points in a 2-2 draw with Coburg United in March.

The AIS brought Sam Munro and Dane Milovanovic into the team which drew 1-1 at Altona Magic in the previous round, Howard Fondyke and Richard Greer moving to the bench to make way. They also retained the services of the leading scorer in the Foxtel Cup, Jason Naidovski, ahead of his imminent departure for Newcastle Jets after his recent signing with the A-League champions.

The Eagles travelling party was missing the ill Pablo Cardozo and saw Semir Sivic withdraw through injury in the early stages of the warm-up. Jimmy Latinopoulos, signed midweek from Kingston City, was on the bench for the side which had moved to third on the table after defeating Oakleigh Cannons 2-1 at Kevin Bartlett Reserve.

Richmond won an early corner when Munro put the ball wide of the post after a threateniong cross from Richie Cardozo. Five minutes into the game a Stuart McCluskey free kick was headed on by George Goutzioulis, but Mark Birighitti was quickly off his line to stop Cardozo and Jesse Krencevic getting the ball as it bounced behind the AIS defence.

Zoran Cvetkovski found Cardozo in space on his right, but after a promising run Richmond's top scorer let himself down with a weak shot straight at Birighitti. In the twelfth minute Antun Kovacic fouled Matthew Theordore, and from the resulting set piece the AIS had the ball in the back of the net but Milovanovic was offside when he turned the ball over the line at the far post after a flick-on.

Birighitti did well to pluck out a cross from Dimitri Tsiaras in the sixteenth minute after the Eagles midfielder had intercepted the ball. Cardozo beat a couple of men in another run but again followed it up with a tame strike. Milovanovic forced Stuart Webster into a save with a long range shot on goal. Michael Catalano floated the ball onto the roof of the net when trying to pull the ball back to Krncevic and Cardozo at the far post in the twenty-third minute.

After a corner saw the ball spill out the back of the pack of players to Kofi Danning on the left flank, Danning cut into the box before pulling the ball back for Milovanovic to steer home the opening goal from ten yards the twenty-fifth minute. The Eagles fell away after a promising start, and for the remainder of the first half the home side held the ascendancy.

The Institute were thwarted by some vital tackles from Kovacic and McCluskey, but would not be held out much longer. A cross from Ivan Pavlak found Danning, who picked out Theodore with a pass. Theodore duly converted, punishing some sloppy defending, and doubled the lead for the AIS in the forty-third minute. The score would not change again before the break, at which Richmond brought on Latinopoulos to replace Catalano.

Just three minutes into the second half the AIS struck again. Breaking on the right, the ball was transferred to the left and after a blocked clearance found it's way out to an unmarked Danning, who beat Webster from a slight angle fourteen yards from the line.

Four minutes later McCluskey headed a Goutzioulis corner over the bar at the near post. In the fifty-seventh minute another set piece saw the ball fall to Latinopooulos in the box, and his thumping drive through a sea of legs pulled a goal back for the Eagles. Cardozo crossed for Krncevic to head over two minutes later, as Richmond showed signs of a revival. Just another two minutes later it was game back on. A long throw from Latinopoulos near the right corner flag saw Krncevic's glancing header at the near post beat Birighitti and make it 3-2.

Danning shot across the face on a counter attack in the seventy-first minute. Cardzo then had a fierce shot blocked on the edge of the area shortly after. He then went down claiming a penalty in the seventy-eighth minute with Latinopoulos blasting the ball over as in spilled free. Richmond were posing a strong threat at set-pieces, with the presence of McCluskey, Kovacic and Noel Bahnsen going forward putting the AIS defenders under great pressure. With ten minutes remaining a Latinopoulos cross after Bahnsen had flicked the ball on for him saw McCluskey head wide.

The pace of Danning, Pavlak and strength of Naidovski was the problem for the Richmond defence as the game hung in the balance going into it's final stages. Munro paid a ball off for Milovanovic with two minutes left, but his shot went wide. Then, in the second minute of injury time, Richmond finally found an equaliser. A free kick near the halfway line on the right wing was taken by Latinopoulos, with almost all of the Eagles outfield players pushed forward. It was Kovacic who leapt highest, meeting the ball and heading it inside the far post for Richmond's second last minute goal in as many games.

Australian Institute of Sport: M.Birighitti, L.DeVere, D.Mullen, A.Cicak, S.Munro, P.Cvetanovski, D.Milovanovic, M.Theodore (R.Greer 77'), J.Naidovski, K.Danning, I.Pavlak.

Goals: Milovanovic 25', Theodore 43' , Danning 48'.

Yellow Cards: None
Red Cards: None

Richmond: S.Webster, S.Rexxhepi, S.McCluskey, D.Tsiaras, J.Krncevic, G.Goutzioulis, R.Cardozo, A.Kovacic, M.Catalano (J.Latinopoulos 46'), Z.Cvetkovski (N.Kalambokis 70'), N.Bahnsen.

Goals: Latinopoulos 57', Krncevic 61' , Kovacic 90'.

Yellow Cards: None
Red Cards: None

Man of the Match:
A.Kovacic
(Richmond)

Venue: AIS Field 14, Canberra.
Crowd: 30

By Mark Boric

Photos by Mark Boric

Richmond's Ante Kovacic heads the ball towards Richie Cardozo who awaits in the midfield.

Foxtel Cup action from the six goal thriller between AIS and Richmond Eagles played in Canberra on Saturday..

AIS players congratulate Kofi Danning after making the score 3-0. and the home side looked well in control.

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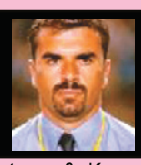

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COBURG UNITED

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HEIDELBERG UNITED

THE RISE AND RISE OF HEIDELBERG

Bergers Undefeated In Six Game Stretch

Heidelberg United's rise up the Foxtel Cup ladder continued on Saturday after it convincingly defeated Coburg United 2-0 at Knights Stadium.

The Bergers were in complete control all afternoon, notching its fifth victory in the past six games and consolidates a place in the Top Six.

In trying conditions, Heidelberg put on a display that was a pleasure to watch and opened the scoring only thirteen minutes into the match.

An impressive build up involving Daniel Jones, Graham Hockless and Eric Vassiliadis enabled Mark Tsiorlas to strike a shot at goal that came off the keeper and into the net.

Apart from some resistance by Coburg's Anthony Magnacca towards the end of the first-half, Heidelberg was in command but never looked seriously troubled.

After the break, Bergers coach George Katsakis changed his line-up to a 4-5-1 formation and instructed Tony Ouliaris to pay closer attention to Magnacca – which seemed to do the trick as Heidelberg looked to gain the upper hand again.

Against the run in the 60th minute of play Tsiorlas found himself on a one on one with Coburg's Serdar Pir and was subsequently brought down in the penalty area.

Pir received a yellow card for his troubles and Grahm Hockless stepped up to coolly convert the penalty kick, slotting it to the left of the keeper.

Although Coburg remained defiant until the final whistle, enjoying its fair share of possession, but just couldn't find a way to penetrate the visitors defence.

Heidelberg coach Katsakis said after the match, "I was just delighted to see my boys knock the ball around really well. We kept possession superbly and penetrated really well. I was also glad that we didn't concede again today. I think over the last six games we've only concede three goals. Obviously, the less you concede the better chance you have to win."

Katsakis went on to add, "Our aim is to play finals, once it comes to finals time anything is possible."

In recent weeks Heidelberg has become somewhat of a dark-horse in the competition, going about its business without too much fanfare, but just concentrating on trying to play good and attractive football for its fans.

The Bergers celebrate Graham Hockless' successful penalty on Saturday night.

In the final minutes of the match Josh Groenewald made his debut for the Bergers after having signed from the VIS.

Although active in the transfer window of late, new signing Neven Antic didn't play. Nor did Robert Liparotti (injured) and Sash Aleksovski (suspened), but all will be available for selection for the big derby against South Melbourne next week.

At the time of going to press Heidekberg was also hoping to sign a well known striker from Adelaide United.

Line ups:

Coburg United:
T.Kovar, S.Kovacevic, S.Pir, R.Thompson, T.Baser (A.Josifovski 70'), D.Nastevski, A.Vlahos (P.Tichy 77'), B.Beni, A.Magnacca, M.Mustafa, N.Lazarevski (T.Sumbul 63').

Scorers: None
Yellow cards: Kovacevic,Baser.
Red cards: None

Heidelberg United:
P.Gavalas, E.Ameti, D.Jones, J.Stefanou, E.Vassiliadis, J.Kozic (P.Roberts 79'), G.Hockless, T.Ouliaris (J.Groenewald 86'), J.Drossos, D.Alilovic, M.Tsiorlas (T.Paton 72').

Scorers: Tsiorlas 13', Hockless (pen) 57'.

Yellow cards: Stefanou.
Red cards: None.

Man of the match:
Dennis Alilovic
(Heidelberg United)

Crowd: 400
Venue: Knights Stadium

Heidelberg's man of the match Denis Alilovich anticipates a challenge from Coburg captain, Mustafa Mustafa.

By James Taylor

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PRESTON LIONS

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ALTONA MAGIC

MAGICAL MASI!

Esala Masi Hat Trick Delivers Derby Honours

A hat trick to new signing Esala Masi was the difference as the Altona Magic collected their first victory in three rounds to defeat the Preston Lions 3-2 in an entertaining derby clash at B.T Connor Reserve.

The recent acquisition from the Pines proved his worth with two goals in the first half and another in the second to ensure the Magic finish the half way mark of the season sitting in the top six of the Foxtel Cup table.

The forward combination of Henry Fa'arodo, Michael Curcija and Esala Masi troubled the Lions from the onset as the trio combined to score two goals within the first thirty five minutes to break the game clear for the Magic. The first goal was crafted in the twentieth minute when Fa'arodo broke free of Michael Miskas along the right hand flank to spot an unmarked Masi, who finished with a volley on the edge of the six yard box. The Magic doubled their lead when Agim Sherifovski's sent his free kick to spot Curcija who unselfishly laid the ball to Masi on the left and the forward registered his second for the afternoon with a delicate chip over Lions goalkeeper Lupce Acevski from twelve yards.

In the final ten minutes of the half, refereeing decisions denied the opportunity for both teams to register additional goals. Lions forward Johnny Sapasovski's claims of a penalty were rejected in the fortieth minute when his cross may have been handled by defender Steve Laurie inside the box. On the counter play, the offside trap robbed the Magic of a third goal when Fa'arodo again broke free along the right hand flank and found Curcija who tapped the ball in front of an open goal, only to be denied by the flag. Preston found a lifeline back into the contest when Tony Sterjovski's cross was spilt by Magic keeper Bojo Jevdjevic. The ball landed to Bale Micovski and his low strike from fifteen yards found a way through a crowded box to bring some momentum back to the Lions before the break.

Both sides squandered opportunities early in the second half in front of goal. For the Magic, Curcija and Fa'arodo combined to find Masi from twelve yards. Masi failed to connect to the cross, but the ball spilt to Sherifovski who fired wide of the near post from six yards. The Lions had the opportunity to level the affair in the sixtieth minute when defender Michael Miskas was inches away to connecting from a deep cross on the back post sent in by Nicholas Schwal. The Magic, through Henry Fa'arodo could have easily had another two on the board, but to no avail. The Solomon Islander mesmerised the Preston defence along the right flank all afternoon, with only his finishing the only weakness in his game. In the first instance, Fa'arodo failed to finish Sherifovski's cross in front of an open goal and then squandered another chance, latching onto a ball from Curcija near the half way line and advancing solo deep into the Preston penalty area, only to finish wide in front of Acevski on the near post. The Magic were eventually awarded for their persistence when Curcija supplied Masi with a cross from six yards and the forward capped off a memorable afternoon by securing his hat trick.

All looked lost for the Lions with time ticking down, but Preston refused not to throw the towel in and scored a second goal with a few minutes remaining. Tony Sterjovski won a free kick for the Lions and played it short to Marinos Gasparis who fired the ball into a crowded Magic six yard box. New substitute Robert Dolevski managed to connect to the powerfully struck ball and beat Jevdjevic on the back post. The Lions continued their pursuit of salvaging a point and were nearly rewarded deep into injury time when Marinos Gasparis had a chance but saw his shot sail wide of the far post. The Magic managed to shrug off a fast finishing Preston and secure their first win in three rounds to enter the top six in the Foxtel Cup for the first time this season. Altona Magic coach Vlado Tortevski was delighted with sealing the win away from home, stating that "if we want to make the finals and perform in big games then it was critical that we won games like this". Preston coach Goran Lozanovski was pleased with his team's persistence to match what he considered "a quality starting eleven opponent on paper. You are going to get punished defensively if you don't mark their quality upfront and that's exactly what happened to us today". The second half of the season starts where it all began for the Lions, against Richmond and the champions will be looking seek revenge on their 5-1 thrashing against the Eagles away in the opening round, whilst the Magic will be tested away against top of the table Green Gully.

Preston Lions: L. Acevski, M. Bosevski, V. Pititto, M. Catalano (I. Arsovski 65'), M. Gasparis, J. Sapazovski (R. Dolevski 85'), M. Miskas, B. Micovski, I. Kolevski, N. Schwal, S. Masalkovski.

Scorers: B. Micovski (44'), R. Dolevski (88')

Yellow cards: M. Miskas (35'), I. Arsovski (75')
Red cards: Nil

Altona Magic: B. Jevdjevic, C. Anthopoulos, S. Laurie, P. Riccobene (P. Cergovski 46'), D. Mladenovic (N. Kalmar 85'), S. Bozinovski, H. Fa'Arodo, M. Curcija, P. Siveski, A. Sherifovski (C. Recchia 80'), E. Masi

Scorers: E. Masi (20', 35'. 70')

Yellow Cards: P. Riccobene (10'), P. Siveski (25'), S. Laurie (90')
Red Cards: Nil

Man of the Match:
Esala Masi (Altona Magic)

Crowd: 1500
Veuue: BT Connor Reserve

By Simon McCuskey

Photo by Nome Risteski

Preston's Marinos Gasparis lets out a howl as Altona's Phil Riccobene slides in with a tackle.

Esala Masi is the toast of Altona after scoring a hat trick on debut for his new club against rivals and reigning champs Preston Lions.

SOUTH MELBOURNE

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FRANKSTON PINES

SOUTH HITS FORM IN TIME FOR DERBY

Frankston Valiant In Defeat

South Melbourne has continued its excellent form under new coach Michael Michalakopoulos with an impressive 3-1 home victory against bottom placed Frankston.

The Frankston outfit came to Bob Jane Stadium ready to give everything for their new manager Doug Hodgson, with the recently appointed coach already stamping his authority on the club with a fortnight of hard and committed football behind them.

With that mindset instilled in all the players, Frankston came out of the change rooms in superb fashion and were rewarded only 5 minutes into the contest when a corner to the near post was turned into the back of the net by Daniel Miller.

The goal was somewhat sweet for Miller, who had trialled with South Melbourne in the off season, before finding a home in Frankston for the season.

South responded almost immediately with a stinging counter attack of their own.

On this occasion a superb tackle by Tony La Verde saw the ball find its way into the path of Goran Zoric, who proceeded to dash down the left hand flank and past a host of stagnant Frankston defenders. With two men in the middle, Zoric put a dangerous cross into the six yard box, only for the ball to be collected by Frankston keeper Peter Zois.

With the Frankston side content to sit back and try absorb any South foray forward, the home side could not muster another opportunity until the 26th minute, when a sublime run by Rama Tavsancioglu culminated in the ball finding the feet of Ricky Diaco. Just outside the area, Diaco hit a stinging drive over the bar.

South continued to push forward at every opportunity and some terrific goalkeeping by Zois thwarted two long range efforts by Diaco and La Verde.

In the 42nd minute, yet another well constructed South Melbourne move forward ended by the ball being played into the adventurous Tavsancioglu just outside the area.

After taking a touch and streaming past a defender, the hard working midfielder was fouled just inside the area, with the referee pointing to the penalty spot.

Ricky Diaco then stepped up to calmly slot the ball past the keeper to get his side back on level terms at the break.

After halftime, South continued to pile on the pressure with half chances falling to both Diaco and Hamlet Armenian, with neither player being able to capitalize on them.

In the 54th minute, South were awarded yet another penalty after Tavsancioglu was once again brought down in the area in a similar manner to that of the first half. To the disbelief of the South faithful, Diaco stepped up and hit his shot directly into the arms of the acrobatic Zois.

With South continually wasting opportunities in front of goal, as well as Frankston's commitment to defence, South gaffer Michalakopoulos opted for a surprise and brought on the sharpish Fernando De Moraes off the bench. Fernando had only returned to the country after representing the Futsalroos in the AFC Tournament in Thailand two days earlier.

The substitution paid off immediately in the 72nd minute, with Fernando launching a stinging left footed drive from well outside the area past a hapless Zois to give his side the lead.

With the strong South faithful in celebration mode, a well constructed move by the Blues saw Zoric once again rip a hole in the hearts of the Frankston defence, before playing an inch perfect ball into the path of Diaco. With the penalty miss fresh in his mind, Diaco slammed the ball into the back of the net to give South a well deserved 3-1 victory.

South will now head into next Sunday's derby game against arch rival Heidelberg full of confidence, whilst the hard working Frankston side must re-group and take on the highly rated Oakleigh Cannons side next Friday night.

Man of the match - Ramazan Tavsancioglu
Crowd - Appox 1200

By George Kouroumalis

Photo by Peter Kakalias

Foxtel Cup action from Bob Jane Stadium yesterday between the improving South Melbourne and celller dwellers, Frankston Pines. The match finished 3-1 to South leaving Pines yet to register a win so far this season.

WESTERN SUBURBS

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MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

LATE DRAMA FOR KNIGHTS AGAIN!

Elvin Header Secures Points

The Western Suburbs and Melbourne Knights played out a pulsating game at Ralph Reserve on Sunday, with the visitors stealing the points with the last play of the game.

The home side brought in Serkan Oksuz into the starting line-up replacing the suspended Hatzimouratis, they also welcomed back Igor Kharpo on the bench after his short stint at the Oakleigh Cannons. The Melbourne Knights recalled Pelikan from injury who replaced Matkovic.

Melbourne Knights got off to a dream start, when Ivan Franjic found time and space just inside the area to steer his shot into the bottom corner of the goal after just three minutes. They almost doubled their lead minutes later after some good work from Andrew Barisic led to a low cross finding the outstretched Kiratzoglou, however the midfielder was unable to hit the target.

The early pressure from the Knights was cancelled out in the 9th minute with Western Suburbs first venture forward. Veteran and club favorite Kindtner crossed in a delightful ball, allowing new signing Serkan Oksuz to score his first goal for the club.

The visitors almost regained the lead just seconds later, Joe Spiteri turned his marker to deliver a ball across the face of goal, narrowly avoiding Kiratzoglou at the back post yet again. Barisic also saw his shot saved by Suburbs' keeper Gal in what was becoming an end-to-end attacking game.

Cvetanovski saw his cross almost sail into the goal, only to be tipped over by the relieved Ozdemir, before a Cameron Watson cross found Spiteri who had somehow hit his very tame shot at the keeper, when the whole goal was beckoning.

Former Knight Tomi Razov thought he had scored in the 17th minute, only for his shot to hit the side netting, minutes later Spiteri again could only direct his shot at Gal. With both teams creating fantastic opportunities it was Western Suburbs that were guilty of not taking the lead in the 26th minute after a Knights defender had handballed in the area. John Cvetanovski confidently stepped up to the spot, only to blast the penalty shot harmlessly over the bar.

Watson used his strength to find room in the area, but just as he released his shot Cetkin slid across for a superb block. With the half coming to a close both team could have easily taken the lead, Serkan Oksuz saw his header sail just wide of goal, before Spiteri forced another save from Gal, with the rebound being cleared off the line by Raoma before Watson could score.

The teams went into the break at 1-1, but the score line could have easily been 4-4 which would have been a fairer indication of the game.

Both coaches must have delivered similar messages at the break, as both teams seemed more defensive conscious and shots were restricted to long range. Ivan Razov was looking dangerous down the left flank and caused headaches for right back Franjic in what proved an exciting battle.

Midway through the half, Kindtner tried his luck from distance narrowly going wide off the upright. It was time for Murphy to introduce Kharpo who immediately looked dangerous through the midfield and teamed up well with the Razov brothers.

In the 75th minute the Knights broke clear with a four on one counter attack, but some poor vision and decision making let to all the forwards being caught offside.

With 10 minutes remaining, both teams threw caution into the wind as they searched for the winning goal. Matthew Grbesa hit the post from a cross and narrowly missing a diving Pelikan, while straight down the other end Igor Kharpo looked as though he was through on goal, only for James Timmonds to clear after chasing him down.

Deep into injury time, Craig Elvin won the ball in the middle of the park and fed it wide to Franjic, Elvin continued his run into the box and Franjic found his head with a inch perfect cross, Elvin's header slammed into the roof of the net as players celebrated yet another last gasp goal with their supporters.

The win keeps Knights in touch with leaders Green Gully, and face Fawkner Blues at Knights Stadium next Sunday. Western Suburbs under new coach Murphy have proved they are no pushovers and credit must be given for their recent performances. They have a opportunity to prove themselves when they take on Coburg also at Knights Stadium on Saturday Night.

Foxtel Cup fans make the most of a every vantage point, as Knights' James Timmons flies high to win the header over Western Suburbs' Lorenz Kindtner in the clash at Ralph Reserve yesterday.

MATCH STATS:
SHOTS: WS 7 MK 13
ON TARGET: WS 2 MK 8
CORNERS: WS 6 MK 13

Western Suburbs Line Up: Gal, Raoma, Cetkin, Antoniadus, I. Razov, Cvetanovski (Kharpo 68'), T. Razov (Damianou 83'), Kindtner, Tsonis, Kalogeracos, Oksuz

Subs not Used: Kavaritis, Papastamatis.

Yellow Cards: Raoma (23')

Goals: Oksuz (9')

Melbourne Knights Line Up: Ozdemir, Elvin, Grbesa, Franjic, Iosifidis (Zahra 72'), Kiratzoglou, Pelikan, Watson, Timmonds, Spiteri, Barisic (Matkovic 83')

Subs not Used: Loncaric, Piorkowski, Muriqi.

Yellow Cards: Grbesa (55')

Goals: Franjic (3'), Elvin (90'+ 2')

Mom: Craig Elvin (MK)

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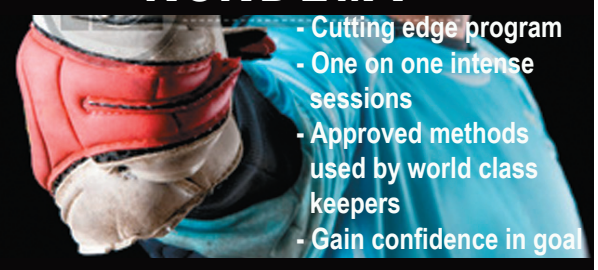

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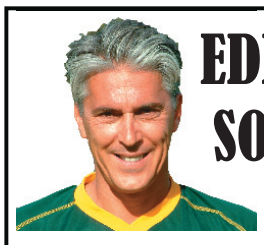

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BLAST ON THE WHISTLE

The Green And Gold Men In Black

I know we all love to hate referees, but would we have a game without them? In the very early amateur days there was democratic decision making with the team captains deciding whether a foul had been committed or not. Next each team would appoint an umpire who would consult when appealed to, much like cricket today. With the emergence of professionalism in the 1880s in England a neutral arbiter became essential and a central referee was appointed, with the umpires banished to the touchlines as linesmen, now assistant referees.

The changes in the governance of the game on the field were picked up very quickly in Australia and innovations like the numbering of players were pioneered here. The first inter-state matches in 1883 between Victoria and New South Wales had the two umpire and referee system, with W Bisiker as referee and W Niven and L Schuler as umpires. There was talk of forming a Referees' Association in 1897 to help reduce the incidence of inconsistent decision-making. But it was not till 1910 that the first Australian referees' association was set up in Newcastle in New South Wales, quickly followed by a South Australian body in 1912.

In the inter-war years as the game expanded referees came under increasing scrutiny and sometimes physical assault. I have to admit that a number of cases I have come across involved Scottish players attached to clubs including Footscray Thistle and Melbourne Thistle. Some of the crowd trouble which also occurred was the consequence of playing matches on unenclosed grounds. So far I have found nothing in Association football to compare with the incident at an Australian Rules football match in Port Melbourne in 1920, which led to a policeman drawing his revolver to prevent an attack on the umpire!

The period after 1945 was by far the most difficult for referees in the history of Australian soccer. The game was expanding in numbers of teams and players, in spectator interest and involvement and beyond the bounds of adequate facilities. It was changing completely in character from being primarily an amateur and recreational activity into a semi-professional sport at its highest levels.

Tony Boskovic (left) about to referee the match between the Socceroos and Czechoslovakia at the Sydney Sports Ground on 3 February 1980. Jimmy Rooney the Australian captain shakes hands with Anton Ondrus, his opposite number. Photo: Goal Magazine, June 1980.

The standard of play on the field was also rising significantly. Many of the immigrants were international standard players from a range of countries. This would have placed enormous strains on officials even without the other major ingredient, the fact that the player, spectators and referees were now drawn from a much wider and different set of cultures from that which had been common till that time.

So you had different styles of play and they clashed, as referee Bob Randall remembers. 'The referees from Italy and Greece, their styles amazed us. They treated the goalkeepers as crystal glass. The British blokes ironed them out. The British style of tackle was low and hard. Other nationalities did not like it at all. So it took time to get a blend. This caused problems for the players. They were screaming inconsistency and it was quite right. The players had a hard time as well as us. It was great fun. It was a great challenge. That's what kept me in the game.'

Refereeing in this period produced its characters. Jeff Harrison was a policeman and a personality referee, who was made Grade One before examinations came in, which he admitted he would never have passed. But his man-management was good. Roger Lamb was a much less visible but very efficient referee, who became Secretary of the Victorian Referees Association. Luigi Cadelli was an imposing figure in Victorian soccer. A former Grade Three referee in Italy he came to Australia in 1955 and was for a period coach of JUST as well as becoming the first contintental referee selected for international matches in Australia. He had his own approach to the game as Bob Randall remembers. If a defending team did not retreat the required ten yards at a free kick, Cadelli might pick up the ball and take it back a few steps to gain the appropriate distance. This manoeuvre was not covered in the laws of the game and as Randall says, 'Not many referees could get away with that.'

According to Fred Hutchison, top referee and later secretary of Ringwood Wilhelmina, 'The standard [of refereeing] was low really. I was a Class 2 when I came here from the U K. … I virtually had the match of the day in my first game. I think they recognised my experience. From then on I refereed top games. I did lead up games for Olympic Games in 1956. … No referees in Australia were recognised as FIFA referees at this time.'

A visit by Sir Stanley Rous, then head of FIFA, in 1964 was the catalyst for an improvement in the organisation and training of referees in this country. Very soon a cadre of quality referees emerged including George and David Yelland, George Harrison, Doug Rennie, Donald Campbell and Lou Stafrace. Later still Australian referees started to make their mark on the world stage led by Tony Boskovic and Chris Bambridge. Now we have some top class referees, like Mark Shields, with international experience in World cups and Asian championships.

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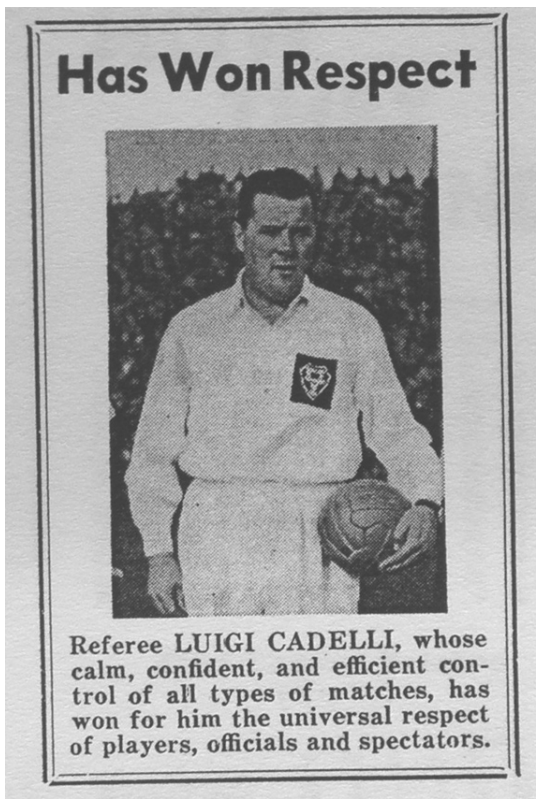

Luigi Cadelli, Italian-born Victorian referee in the 1950s.
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Chris Bambridge (centre) takes charge of a match at Middle Park in the early 1980s. Charlie Egan is wearing a Celtic top, John Kosmina is on the right. The linesman, as they were then, on the left is John Rutter, but I have not been able to identify his colleague.
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Round 9

ELTHAM NTH HITS ELEVEN!

Inter Remain In Control At The Top

Round 9 of the WPL produced the highest scoring match of the season so far, with Eastern Lions coping a drubbing from Eltham North. Casey and Box Hill also recorded victories, with South prevailing against Heidelberg in a thriller. The other matches ended all square. There is increased congestion in the middle of the WPL ladder as sides struggle to string results together, although the top three have established daylight between themselves and the chasing pack.

Box Hill Inter continued its dominance at the top of the WPL ladder, recording its eighth victory of the season with a 2-0 triumph over Preston Lions at Wembley Park on Friday night. With a goal in each, and the visiting side unable to break down the Inter defence, Box Hill took the points courtesy of goals from Amanda Lawless and Aleksandra Sinclair. Preston's nightmare continues, as it has now its last four matches in succession, and it faces two tough remaining matches in the first half of the season, against a resurgent Casey Comets and Eltham North. Box Hill remains at the top of the ladder, still yet to lose a game, and it is three points clear of its nearest rival. Preston Lions is still at present in the top five, thanks to the points it accrued in the early rounds of the season, but it is now just two points ahead of the three sides behind it.

Having suffered a surprising defeat against Bendigo last weekend, Eltham North's up and down season was due for an 'up', and it certainly produced one at Anderson Park on Friday night. It demolished a hapless Eastern Lions outfit 11-1 to propel itself into the top five for the first time this season. The home side scored five unanswered goals in the first half, and then went one better after the interval, finding the net six times. Keryn Walters scored a consolation for the visitors. Deanna Niceski bagged a hat-trick, with Katrina Smith and Stephanie Simpson both scoring doubles, and singles for Nicole Paul, Enza Barilla, Renee Darmanin and Tyla Vlajnic. It was Eltham's fourth victory of the season, all of which have come at Anderson Park, which it is fast making into a fortress in its first season at the ground. Eltham climbs to fifth on the ladder, while Eastern Lions, with eight straight defeats, remains rooted to the bottom.

Another side that struggled early but has since hit its straps is Casey Comets, which chalked up its fourth victory of the season, accounting for GSL by four unanswered goals at Comets Stadium on Sunday. A tight first half produced just one goal, suggesting a match that could go either way, but the home side seized the ascendancy in the second half, scoring a further three times. Leigh Terek scored twice, with Melissa Atherton and Amanda Aldridge also getting on the scoresheet. Casey remains seventh on the ladder, but, crucially, it is now level on points with the two sides above it, Heidelberg and Eltham, and is back firmly in contention for a finals push. GSL has endured a torrid few weeks, with three consecutive defeats in which it has conceded fifteen goals. It slips to eleventh on the ladder.

After a dismal start to the season, Keilor Park has now gone unbeaten in its last four matches, although the most recent three of those have all ended in draws. This weekend, it took on Bendigo Vipers at Keilor Park Reserve, and looked to have the points in the bag at half time, as a Sarah Fitzgerald goal had given it the upper hand. However, Bendigo was able to bounce back in the second half, with Lorrina Layuni grabbing the important equalising goal to split the points between the two sides. The result enabled Keilor to climb out of the bottom two for the first time, and it rises to tenth. Bendigo is in eighth with ten points, four of which have come in its last two games.

Rosie Bureta (Ashburton) gets up high to beat Eliza Gleadell (Sandringham) to the ball.

The clash at Olympic Village between Heidelberg United and South Melbourne proved to be a see-sawing and feisty affair, with the lead changing hands several times before South emerged victorious 3-2. The sides were locked at a goal apiece at half time, with United's Belinda Pannella cancelling out Natalie Brajanovski's goal. The home side then took the lead through Julia Nicolaci, before goals from Emma Johnson and Aimee Benton secured South's second victory of the season. Both sides ended the game with ten players, after Kirstin Segond and Lucy Balta saw red for their part in a scuffle midway through the second half. The reigning premier has faltered in recent weeks, picking up just one point in its last three games, and slipping out of the top five as a result of this, its fourth, defeat of the season. South had gone winless since the opening day of the season, but now climbs a place to ninth on the ladder.

The match of the round pitted Ashburton against Sandringham on Sunday, with the teams occupying third and second place on the ladder respectively. With only a point separating them prior to the match, it was perhaps fitting that there was nothing to separate them at the culmination of the ninety minutes. Lucy Kapusta gave the visiting side a first half lead, but Annabelle Gibney struck back for Ashburton in the second half, to level the scores and ensure the points were shared. Sandringham remains second on the ladder, a point ahead of Ashburton, but there is now a six point gap that has opened up between Ashburton and fourth-placed Preston.

Next weekend in Round 10 of the WPL, the teams face unfamiliar opposition for the penultimate time, as we career towards the halfway point of the season. For once, the majority of action takes place on Saturday, starting with Preston Lions looking to arrest its losing streak when it takes on Casey Comets at BT Connor Reserve. South Melbourne travel to Beischer Oval to take on Bendigo Vipers, with just two points separating the teams on the ladder, while the top two meet at Kingston Heath Soccer Complex when Sandringham hosts Box Hill Inter. Eastern Lions will be in search of its first win when it meets Keilor Park at Gardiners Creek Reserve, while Eltham North makes the long journey to Morwell to play GSL at Latrobe City Sports Club. The only match taking place on Sunday has the potential to be a cracker, when Ashburton hosts Heidelberg United at Ashburton Park, in a match that should have extra spice given that several players have left Ashburton and returned to play for Heidelberg, their former club, during this week.

Alina Kapusta (Sandringham) celebrates her goal on the stroke of half-time in the 1-1 draw against Ashburton.

By Niki Cook

Photos by John Punshon

WPL ROUND NINE RESULTS

Box Hill Inter 2 (A Lawless A Sinclair) Preston Lions 0, Eltham North 11 (K Smith 2 N Paul S Simpson 2 E Barilla RM Darmanin TJ Vlajnic D Niceski 3) Eastern Lions 1 (K Walters), Casey Comets 4 (M Atherton L Terek 2 A Aldridge) GSL 0, Keilor Park 1 (SE Fitzgerald) Bendigo Vipers 1 (LW Layuni), Heidelberg Utd 2 (B Pannella JL Nicolaci) South Melbourne 3 (N Brajanovski E Johnson L Spiranovic), Ashburton 1 (A Gibney) Sandringham 1 (L Kapusta)

WPL STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Box Hill Inter	9	8	1	0	28	5	25
Sandringham	9	7	1	1	16	3	22
Ashburton	9	6	3	0	24	6	21
Preston Lions	9	5	0	4	8	9	15
Eltham North	9	4	1	4	28	15	13
Heidelberg Utd	9	4	1	4	20	16	13
Casey Comets	9	4	1	4	17	15	13
Bendigo Vipers	9	2	4	3	7	12	10
South Melbourne	9	2	2	5	14	19	8
Keilor Park	9	1	3	5	12	23	6
GSL	9	2	0	7	13	31	6
Eastern Lions	9	0	1	8	3	36	1

WPL ROUND 10 FIXTURES

Preston Lions v Casey Comets
BT Connor Reserve
Sat 24 May KO 1:00PM

Bendigo Vipers v South Melbourne
Beischer Oval (Strathdale)
Sat 24 May KO 2:45PM

Sandringham v Box Hill Inter
Kingston Heath Soccer Complex
Sat 24 May KO 3:00PM

Eastern Lions v Keilor Park WSC
Gardiners Creek Reserve
Sat 24 May KO 3:00PM

GSL v Eltham North
Latrobe City Sports Club
Sat 24 May KO 4:00PM

Ashburton v Heidelberg Utd
Ashburton Park
Sat 25 May KO 3:00PM

WPL RESERVES RESULTS

Box Hill Inter 3 Preston Lions 0, Eltham North 3 Eastern Lions 2, Casey Comets 3 GSL 0, Keilor Park 1 Bendigo Vipers 3, Heidelberg Utd South Melbourne , Ashburton 1 Sandringham 0

WPL RESERVES STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Ashburton	9	9	0	0	54	3	27
Box Hill Inter	9	9	0	0	36	5	27
Sandringham	9	6	0	3	37	9	18
Keilor Park	9	5	1	3	21	14	16
Bendigo Vipers	9	5	0	4	22	16	15
Heidelberg Utd	8	4	2	2	18	11	14
Casey Comets	9	4	0	5	27	21	12
Preston Lions	9	3	2	4	19	21	11
GSL	9	1	2	6	9	25	5
South Melbourne	8	1	1	6	9	37	4
Eltham North	9	1	1	7	6	34	4
Eastern Lions	9	0	1	8	6	68	1

Winners and Grinners Dept.

MAN U, MUNICH AND LYON CELEBRATE

Season Honours Decided In European Competitions

Several European leagues have been determined by spectacular circumstances in recent weeks, on the penultimate day of their respective campaigns.

Last weekend saw Manchester United claim their 17th title in a dramatic day of proceedings in the English Premier League which went down to the wire.

The Red Devils retained their Premier League crown by edging title rivals Chelsea in the penultimate round of the season, and handed Sir Alex Ferguson an incredible 10th title in charge of United.

It was one of the closest finishes to a league season in almost a decade; you'd have to go back to United's treble winning season of 1998-99 where they beat Arsenal to the title by one point to witness a closer conclusion.

With both sides level on points but separated by goal difference in United's favour prior to kick-off, Chelsea needed United to slip up away at Wigan, whilst they needed a positive result at home to Bolton.

However, United obtained the three important points they needed with a 2-0 victory, whilst the Blues were the team who slipped up, drawing 1-1 with the Trotters at Stamford Bridge.

The combination of United's prolific goal scoring, attractive football and defensive superiority saw them outclass opposition throughout the campaign.

United scored the most goals (80) and conceded the least (22) in the league, underlying their superiority in both attack and defence.

Portuguese winger Cristiano Ronaldo's dominance as the star player this season was underlined by a host of awards he received for his individual performances this season.

Ronaldo picked up the PFA Player's Player of the Year, PFA Fan's Player of the Year, FWA Footballer of the Year, Barclay's Player of the Season award, the Golden Boot Award, and the Barclays Premier League Merit Award.

The midfielder scored an outstanding 31 goals in 34 Premier League appearances which equalled England great Alan Shearer's standing record for the highest number of goals scored in a Premier League season by an individual.

Whilst Ronaldo was season was impressive to say the least, Liverpool's Fernando Torres was a formidable figure throughout the season; his 24 goals for the Reds saw him break the record set by Manchester United's Ruud Van Nistelrooy, as the most prolific goal scoring foreigner in their debut season.

North of the border in Scotland, and a similar scenario is unfolding in the Scottish Premier League title race.

Fierce Old Firm rivals Glasgow Rangers and Celtic are locked in a comparable predicament to the situation Manchester United and Chelsea were in, heading into their final fixtures of the season.

In the last nine seasons, Celtic and Rangers have dominated the Scottish league, with the Hoops claiming five titles and Rangers four.

Celtic are looking to secure their third successive SPL title, and after Rangers drew 1-1 with Motherwell on Saturday, the side are currently sitting three points clear at the top of the table, with one match to play.

But although they failed at the final hurdle in the UEFA Cup mid-week, Rangers still hold hope of clinching the title, with the Glasgow side having a game in hand over their rivals.

Rangers have to play their final two matches during the week, on Monday and Thursday night, whilst Celtic have one remaining match against Dundee United on Thursday evening.

Across the English Channel to France, Olympique Lyonnaise secured the Ligue 1 title on the final day of the season to record an unprecedented seventh successive title.

German engineering at its best: Bayen Munich coasted to its 21st Bundesliga title.

Lyon, who are used to wrapping up the French title well in advance of the final match, claimed the historic record after downing Auxerre 3-1 through goals from Karim Benzema, Fred and Kim Kallstrom.
Second placed Bordeaux had threatened to spoil the party for Les Gones, trailing the reigning champions by only two points before the final fixtures, but their 2-2 draw at Lens did little to affect the outcome, Lyon finishing four points clear at the top of the table.

In Germany, Bayern Munich finished their title winning season on a high by defeating Hertha Berlin 4-1 in the Bundesliga.

Bayern had wrapped up the their 21st title two weeks ago, and finished 10 points clear of second placed Werder Bremen with a clinical display in Munich.
The 4-1 victory was a fitting send off for retiring goalkeeper Oliver Kahn and coach Ottmar Hitzfeld who is departing the club.
It was Kahn's 557th appearance and he received a standing ovation, lifting his eighth German title in his 21-year career, after the final whistle

Italian international Luca Toni sealed a stunning first season in the Bungesliga by topping the goal scoring charts with a hat-trick on the final day for Munich.

Munich's other star performer, Frenchman Franck Ribery, also capped a superb debut campaign in Germany by scoring the other goal.

Next Week: A full wrap of the Spanish La Liga, Italy's Serie A and the Dutch Eredivisie

By Julius Ross
Champions League Reporter

RED DEVILS GO FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

The Haymes Ballarat Red Devils have started the State League 2 season strongly with the team currently sitting in second place on the ladder.

But this is not the only highlight of the season so far.

The Reds have scored more goals than anyone else in the league and have 3 goalscores in the top 10. And if an all-star team was to be picked right now, 4 or 5 Red Devils players would find themselves right in the mix. On top of this impressive form on the park the Reds also have the biggest crowd of the year outside of the Premier League with just around 2,000 supporters at the ANZAC day match against North Geelong late last month.

"It's been a positive start to the season. We are only 7 games in so there is still a long way to go but I think everyone deserves credit for the way we have made the transition from State League 3 up to State League 2", Reds coach Danny Gnjidic said this week

There has also been a lot happening off the pitch in 2008. The Ballarat City Council helped the club with watering the Trekardo Park playing surface to get in ready for the first match of the year. A perimeter fence has also gone up around the park and 6 new lights have been installed on the training pitch all at the clubs expense.

"Look it's been a great start to the season in more ways than one. The crowd on ANZAC day will be hard to beat this year but in saying that we have had 800 and just a tick over 400 at our 2 matches at Trekardo Park this season so far on slightly wet overcast days, so this is terrific. But in saying that I would love to see more people from Sebastopol Vikings, Vic Parks, Norths, Forest Rangers and the likes come and watch some great football. Really with the way we are playing we should be getting well over 1000 fans to a match and I plead to all soccer fans in Ballarat to get behind the Red Devils and show your support at the next match (24th May against Werribee City)" club president Andrew Burgess said this week.

"Our membership is up to over 300, sponsorship continues to grows strongly and the players are just 100% behind Danny in getting every last bit out of themselves week in week out aiming for another Championship in 2008"

Skipper Josh Romein with 4 goals, along with Sam Muscat (5 assist) and Shaun Romein 4 goals are in top form and scoring and setting up goals on a weekly basis. Along with three goals from injured froward Ashley Lymn this group would be in an all-star League team.

The back end of the park is a little down on form at the moment but it is something the Gnjidic is working on to fix. The backline is still a very young group lead by veteran Luke Armstrong at 25, Ryan Rykers 22 and Tristan Romien at only 17. This is on top of keeper Aaron Romein only 19 and wide men in Seb DiGirolamo and Dom Swinton both 21 and Luke Wigmore even younger at 19.

"As well as we are playing at the moment I know that the players believe they are capable of better. We are yet to string together a solid 90 minute performance. We are losing concentration at certain times in games and it's costing us. Against Nth Geelong we let them get their equaliser right on half time and then last week, we didn't come out in the 2nd half with the same intensity as Moreland and let them back in the game. But that's one of the factors that comes into play with a young squad like ours. We are all working on improving that part of our game and as the season progresses I think you will see us becoming a lot more street smart and handling those types of situations a little better",Gnjidic said

The other player to impress this season so far is big forward Sandro DiGirolamo. Although only scoring the one goal in the campaign to date, DiGirolamo is a vital part of the Reds set-up

"Every single member of the squad has stepped up and is contributing at the moment. I'm really pleased with the way everyone is going about their preparation each week. Our training has been very good and that is then reflected in the performances each weekend. We have a young squad who still have so much improvement in them. It's an exciting time for the club and I think our members and supporters have so much to look forward to. We are building a team and a club that will represent soccer in the region for a long time to come",Gnjidic said

The Ballarat Red Devils continued their impressive start to the season with another away 2 – 1 win against Altona City on Saturday. the Reds currently sit just one point of the top of the ladder and have a huge chance to claim top spot next Saturday when Werribee City travels to Trekardo Park.

"I thought we played very well today and I am wrapped for the lads. They are working very hard on the training track every session and we are getting the rewards for that hard work. We controlled the match for long periods and scored a couple of good goals, but now have a big match against Werribee City at Trekardo Park on Saturday", Reds boss Danny Gnjidic said after the match.

By Duncan Smith
State League NW 2

QANTAS UNDER 23S DEFEAT CROATIA AT INTERCONTINENTAL CUP

The Qantas Under 23s have defeated Croatia 3-0 in their opening Intercontinental Cup - Malaysia 2008 match at the KLFA Stadium in Kuala Lumpur on Friday night.

In the 18th minute a long throw in from Nikolai Topor Stanley was flicked on by Nigel Boogaard to striker Nikita Rukavytsya who headed home to open the scoring.

Troy Hearfield doubled the lead shortly after half-time with a shot from the edge of the box before substitute James Troisi completed the scoring for the Qantas Under 23s in the 74th minute with a well placed left-footed strike to the bottom left corner of the goal.

Qantas Under 23s Head Coach Graham Arnold was positive about his team's first up performance at the tournament.

"I was very pleased with the work rate of the players in hot conditions and their mental attitude was very good.

"Croatia are a physical side and we matched them. To win in this fashion was a good start to the tournament," concluded Arnold.

Earlier in the evening, Chile defeated Togo 5-1 in the other Group B match.

The Qantas Under 23s play Chile in their second group match on Sunday 18 May (kick-off 11:00pm AEST) . Due to the fact that the Ghanaian national team pulled out of the tournament early this week, the Qantas Under 23s will now face Togo in their final group match on Tuesday 20 May (kick-off 10.45pm AEST). The top two teams from each group then advance to the semi-finals on Friday 23 May, with the final to be played on Sunday 25 May (kick-off 10.45pm AEST).

Match details
Qantas Under 23s 3 (Nikita Rukavytsya 18', Troy Hearfield 52', James Troisi 74') def Croatia 0
Friday 16 May 2008
KLFA Stadium, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
Referee: Shah Buddin Hadimim

Qantas Under 23s: 18.Tando Velaphi (gk), 2.Ruben Zadkovich, 16.Nigel Boogaard, 22.Aaron Downes, 6.Nikolai Topor-Stanley, 17.Spase Dilevski, 11.James Holland (7.Adam D'Apuzzo 75'), 8.Mark Bridge (c), 15.Michael Zullo, 20.Nikita Rukavytsya (9.Matt Simon 32'), 14.Troy Hearfield (10. James Troisi 72').

Substitutes Not Used: 12.Dean Bouzanis (gk), 19.Jason Hoffman, 3.Adrian Leijer, 13.Trent McClenahan.

Yellow Cards: Ruben Zadkovich 90'
Red Cards: Nil

Round 1
Nigeria v Iraq - Match postponed to 21 May due to late arrival of Nigeria
Malaysia 1 : Ireland 3
Togo 1 : Chile 5
Australia 3 : Croatia 0

GROUP A	GROUP B
1. Rep Ireland	1. Chile
2. Nigeria	2. Australia
3. Iraq	3. Croatia
4. Malaysia	4. Togo

James Troisi, seen here in Newcastle United colours, completed the scoring in the U23s 3-0 defeat of Croatia.

MUSEUM RECEIVES WARREN COLLECTION

The National Museum of Australia has received a major donation of the Johnny Warren collection, almost 500 objects related to the life of the footballer, administrator, journalist and television personality.

The objects range from a 1953 under 12's trophy, through to the FIFA Centennial Order of Merit medal which was presented by FIFA President Sepp Blatter in 2004. It was the only medal awarded to an Australian, one of only 100 worldwide.

Other highlights include Johnny Warren's Soccerroo shirt worn in the match against East Germany in the 1974 World Cup and his Medal of the Order of Australia awarded in 2002.

Johnny Warren played 42 times for the Socceroos including the 1974 World Cup. For more than 30 years he became the face of football in Australia through his tireless commitment to the development of the game.

The Johnny Warren collection was donated to the National Museum by his brothers Geoff and Ross Warren, his nephew Jamie Warren, and his partner Sibere Rodrigues.

"Without the support of donors, the National Museum could not hope to fulfil its role at the pre-eminent institution devoted to Australia's history," said the Director of the National Museum of Australia, Craddock Morton.

"We intend to exhibit elements of the Johnny Warren collection in our permanent galleries in the neat future and we are looking at opportunities to tour the collection around the country in coming years," said Mr Morton.

AGSV WEEKEND RESULTS

Round 3 of the AGSV football competition kicked off with a Friday night game at Chelsworth Park, Ivanhoe between Ivanhoe Grammar and PEGS.
The home team fought bravely against a strong PEGS side and honours were shared in a pulsating contest as the game finished 2-2.
Trinity Grammar were put to the test playing its first away game of the season at Camberwell Grammar, and in wet conditions came away with a credible draw.
Meanwhile, it was raining goals on the coast as Peninsula played Yarra Valley at home and won 5-0 in a convincing victory.
In the remaining match to complete the round Mentone suffered a heavy defeat at home to a resurgent Marcellin 4-1.

IVANHOE 2 (Mina 2) drew PEGS 2 (Motsianos, Brown)
TRINITY 1 (Coughlin) drew CAMBERWELL 1 (Ramsey)
PENINSULA 5 def YARRA VALLEY 0
MARCELLIN 4 def MENTONE 1

GW MAILBAG

Want to get something off your chest?

mailbag@goalweekly.com

Dear Goal! Weekly,

Once upon a time a football match took place in Victoria. In one of the teams there were two brothers, who for the sake of this story shall be called Bill and Ben.
Unfortunately the boys got their shirts mixed up and each took the field each wearing the other's designated number. In the course of the game Ben was sent off and the referee going on the team sheet numbers reported that Bill was the culprit.
When the FFV's weekly crime sheet was published on the Tuesday following the game the error was noticed by the club. Surely a simple phone call would fix the matter? Not on your life! The referee's report is final Bill shall miss next week, and as we have no record that Ben has transgressed he may play next week. This was confirmed to the club by way of e-mail and SMS from an FFV official. Despite pleas that playing Ben playing would surely result in a protest by the opposition the FFV would not budge. Surely a phone call to the previous week's opposition would clarify the matter, or the two players and referee could attend FFV HQ and a correct identification be made. Nothing doing maybe because FFV do not have a fee in place for making phone calls or for conducting identity parades. The solution seemed to be stand both players down even though one was guilty of only wearing the wrong number or play Ben and see what happens. The club took the latter option based on the advice from FFV, and of course a protest was entered and won. An appeal was entered and dismissed.
Needless to say the official who gave the advice did not appear at either hearing thus weakening the club's case. This leads one to wonder if the staff at FFV know and understand their own rules!
For my own part it appears that the staff at FFV have forgotten, that they are employees of the Federation and therefore of the clubs, and that one of their prime objectives should be to assist the clubs, not to place obstacles in their path.

Regards,
Gordon.

FUTSALROOS BUNDLED OUT OF WORLD CUP AT FINAL HURDLE

The Qantas Futsalroos will miss the FIFA Futsal World Cup for the first time after a 5-2 loss to Thailand in the quarter final stage of the Asian Football Confederation's Futsal Championships in Bangkok.

The four semi finalists at the 16 nation tournament - Thailand, China, Japan and Iran - will represent Asia at October's FIFA Futsal World Cup in Brazil.

Australia were hamstrung by the absence of key suspended duo Lachlan Wright and Chris Zeballos, and the home team backed by a large vocal crowd raced to a 3-1 half time lead.

Australia pulled back to 3-2 with Fernando de Moreas scoring his second of the night before Thailand scored twice in the final five minutes.
"I think the turning point was the game before when we had two suspended players," said coach Scott Gilligan.

"Both were the two leading goal scorers in the team for this tournament and it was pretty obvious that that was going to significantly affect us."

Australia had previously appeared in all five editions of the FIFA Futsal World Cup dating back to 1989.

Thailand 5 (7', 8', 17', 35', 39')
Australia 2 (Fernando de Moreas 15, 28')

The Qantas Futsalroos squad for the qualifying tournament:
Tuan Cao (NSW), **Fernando de Moreas** (VIC), **Trent Flanigan** (ACT), **Greg Giovenali** (NSW), **Luke Haydon** (QLD), **Simon Keith** (NSW), **Angelo Konstantinou** (ACT), **Dean Lockhart** (NSW), **Danny Ngaluafe** (Qld), **Gavin O'Brien** (NSW), **Peter Spathis** (NSW), **Adrian Vizzari** (NSW), **Lachlan Wright** (NSW), **Christopher Zeballos** (NSW).

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TSALTAS LEAVES STARS GREEN

Bentleigh Moves To Equal Top, Stars Fall Again

This round roughly marks the one third point of the Division One season with all teams at the end of this weekend having played seven out of their 22 games they will contests this season. As everyone expected the league has proven to be a very competitive one and a very congested one with possibly one team out of the twelve in the competition starting to look a little out of its depth, that being Keilor Park.

Coming into this weekend positions have been changing every week from the top to second last with a win meaning often a team jumps a few places and it is a season where pretty much anyone can beat anyone else. All of the teams relegated from the 2007 VPL season have added something to the league and the two promoted teams from Division 2 last year are having a harder time adapting to the league although FC Clifton Hill are doing far better than Keilor Park who it has to be said are early favourites to occupy one of the two automatic relegation spots.

So onto round seven of the season with Keilor Parks woes continuing as they remained winless after facing defeat by four goals to one on their home patch in Keilor. The main destroyer for the Royals was the evergreen Sash Becvinovski who has to be one of the buys of the season in division one. I for one saw Sash play quite a few times for the Magic Last season and he is still of Premier League quality, and it was a coup for the Royals to get such a potent finisher. His hat trick took his tally this season to six goals making him the league's top marksman and the Royals pretty much strolled to a win which takes them to third place in the table. Cameron Miles scored the fourth goal for the Royals and Lorenzo Carbone scored the consolation for Keilor.

Dandenong Thunder have a quality laden squad at their disposal but appear at times to have been somewhat inconsistent this season brushing some sides away with ease and then giving away silly points which could well hurt them come season's end. This weekend however they toughed out a hard fought 1-0 victory over Langwarrin courtesy of a Mohammed Alsakran goal to see them nestle nicely into fifth place on the competition table. Langwarrin however find themselves in eight place and could lose touch with the teams above them if they don't start getting some points. I am sure Gus McLeod will expect better from them in the ensuing weeks.

Southern Stars returned to Ross Reserve reeling after their loss to the Georgies last weekend and welcomed Bentleigh hoping to get their season back on track. Bentleigh had different ideas however and left Ross Reserve with all three points courtesy of a single goal by Nick Tsaltas. This sees Bentleigh leapfrog the Stars into second place while the Stars will be eager to get their season back on track next week.

In the Saturday evening game FC Clifton Hill were the visitors to Ardeer Reserve and they left victorious with a 4-2 victory in what on face value was quite an interesting game. Goal Scorers for Clifton Hill were Ozan Kara with a brace, and Daniel Barakat who also hit two. For the home side Westgate, Mebrahtom Yabio scored two. This win sneaks Clifton Hill up to tenth place and out of the bottom two and will hopefully act as a springboard for their season, whilst Westgate have to be disappointed losing games they would well expect to be competitive in, especially given we have seen at times what they are capable of.

At the time of writing this report there were still two outstanding games in this round that being St Albans home game against Kingston City and the Sunday evening visit of top placed Sunshine Georgies to the Serbian Sports Centre to lock horns with Springvale White Eagles. St Albans need this win to maintain touch with the top half of the table whilst Kingston need the win to kick start their push to get out of the bottom two spots. Sunshine need the win this weekend to keep their gap at the top of the league, they can't lose top spot this weekend but the can open a three point gap from Bentleigh, the White Eagles need the win also to keep touch with the top teams.

Next week, round eight, sees some good clashes in the offing around Division One with Sunshine hosting St Albans and Bulleen's game on Monday night (26th May) against Langwarrin shaping as the pick of the games.

By Reuben Schembri
Photo by John Punshon

State League One Action: Vinnie Bontemps (Southern Stars) brings down Boris Bajic (Bentleigh Greens) at Ross Reserve.

SL1 ROUND SEVEN RESULTS

Keilor Park 1 (L Carbone) Bulleen Royals 4 (C Miles S Becvinovski 3), Langwarrin 0 Dandenong Thunder 1 (MA Alsakran), Southern Stars 0 Bentleigh Greens 1 (N Tsaltas), Westgate 2 (MA Yabio 2) FC Clifton Hill 4 (O Kara 2 DA Barakat 2)

SL1 STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sunshine Georgies	6	5	0	1	12	3	15
Bentleigh Greens	7	4	3	0	14	6	15
Bulleen Royals	7	4	1	2	18	8	13
Southern Stars	7	4	1	2	13	10	13
Dandenong Thunder	7	3	2	2	15	8	11
FC Clifton Hill	7	3	1	3	13	18	10
St Albans Saints	6	2	2	2	10	9	8
Langwarrin	7	2	1	4	8	10	7
Westgate	7	2	1	4	12	15	7
Springvale White Eagles	6	2	1	3	7	10	7
Kingston City	6	1	1	4	5	15	4
Keilor Park	7	0	2	5	5	20	2

NEXT ROUND

Kingston City v Keilor Park
The Grange Reserve
Fri 23 May KO 8:30PM

Sunshine Georgies v St Albans Saints
Chaplin Reserve
Sat 24 May KO 3:00PM

FC Clifton Hill v Southern Stars
Kevin Bartlett Reserve
Sat 24 May KO 3:00PM

Dandenong Thunder v Westgate
George Andrews Reserve
Sat 24 May KO 3:00PM

Bentleigh Greens v White Eagles
Kingston Heath Soccer Complex
Sun 25 May KO 3:00PM

Bulleen Royals v Langwarrin
Veneto Social Club
Mon 26 May KO 8:15PM

RESERVES RESULTS

Keilor Park 2 (D Menjivar C Motsianos) Bulleen Royals 2, Langwarrin 4 Dandenong Thunder 2, Southern Stars 1 Bentleigh Greens 2, Westgate 0 FC Clifton Hill 4

RESERVES STANDINGS

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Langwarrin	7	5	2	0	18	5	17
Keilor Park	7	5	2	0	19	9	17
Bentleigh Greens	7	5	0	2	23	12	15
Bulleen Royals	7	4	1	2	17	6	13
Southern Stars	7	4	1	2	13	9	13
FC Clifton Hill	7	4	0	3	11	15	12
Westgate	7	2	2	3	8	15	8
Sunshine Georgies	6	1	4	1	10	9	7
Dandenong Thunder	7	1	1	5	11	23	4
Kingston City	6	1	0	5	7	17	3
St Albans Saints	6	0	2	4	4	11	2
Springvale White Eagles	6	0	1	5	5	15	1

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IVAN FRANJIC

MELBOURNE KNIGHTS

FULL NAME: Ivan Franjic
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HEIGHT: 178cm
WEIGHT: 77kg
MARRIED: No
CAR: Holden Commodore Sv6
OCCUPATION OUTSIDE OF FOOTBALL: Carpenter
NICKNAME: Frana
PREVIOUS CLUBS: St. Albans Saints
REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS: N/A
CHILDHOOD FOOTBALL HERO: Zvonimir Boban
FAVOURITE O/S PLAYER: Niko Kranjcar
FAVOURITE FOXTEL CUP PLAYER: Steve Iosifidis
FAVOURITE FORMER SOCCEROO: Mark Bosinch
FAVOURITE CURRENT SOCCEROO: Mark Viduka
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AS A PLAYER: Every match is memorable
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH AS A FAN: Australia vs Uruguay
MOST MEMORABLE GOAL YOU'VE SCORED: Scoring from the halfway line from kick off
FUNNIEST MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: To many to mention
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Losing the Foxtel Cup semi-finals last year
WORST INJURY: Broken Leg
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Joe Spiteri
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: South Melbourne's
SUPERSTITIONS: None
TYPICAL MATCH DAY MEAL: Whatever is on the table
WHAT ARE YOUR STRENGTHS: Speed, dribbling
WHAT ARE YOUR WEAKNESSES: N/A
FAVOURITE TEAM WHEN GROWING UP: Dinamo Zagreb
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Tennis
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTSPERSON: Rafeal Nadal
FAVOURITE FOODS: Sarma
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Anthony Pelikan
HOBBIES: Fishing, Play station
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY RESORT: Croatia
FAVOURITE NIGHTSPOT: CQ
IDEAL DATE: Going out for dinner
FAVOURITE TV SHOWS: Prison Break
FAVOURITE MUSIC: House, R n B
FAVOURITE FILM: Kick Boxer
LAST SOCCER SHIRT YOU BOUGHT: Manchester United (Cristiano Ronaldo)
FUNNIEST RUMOUR YOU'VE HEARD ABOUT YOURSELF: To many to mention
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: Parents
BIGGEST DRAG IN SOCCER: Waiting for match days
FOOTBALL AMBITION: To play at the highest level possible
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NORTH WEST 2

Seniors

Altona East Phoenix 2 (G Iedom B Lojanica) Williamstown 0, North Geelong Warriors 3 (A Cervinski D Dragicevic 2) Thomastown Devils 2 (A Longo L Santilli), Brunswick City 0 Pascoe Vale 0, Moreland City 0 Maribyrnong Greens 1 (A Mesinovic), Altona City 1 (S Hulusi) Ballarat Red Devils 2 (S Digirolamo SJ Romein), Werribee City 1 (A Karanicolas) Cairnlea 2 (E Koc 2)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Pascoe Vale	7	4	3	0	6	1	15
Ballarat Red Devils	7	4	2	1	14	9	14
Altona East Phoenix	7	3	4	0	12	3	13
North Geelong Warriors	7	3	3	1	11	8	12
Werribee City	7	3	2	2	8	6	11
Brunswick City	7	3	1	3	8	6	10
Williamstown	7	3	0	4	9	9	9
Thomastown Devils	7	2	1	4	10	11	7
Altona City	7	2	1	4	6	11	7
Moreland City	7	1	3	3	8	12	6
Cairnlea	7	2	0	5	8	15	6
Maribyrnong Greens	7	1	2	4	4	13	5

Reserves

Altona East Phoenix 1 Williamstown 4, North Geelong Warriors 2 Thomastown Devils 3, Brunswick City 3 Pascoe Vale 1, Moreland City 8 Maribyrnong Greens 0, Altona City 2 Ballarat Red Devils 3, Werribee City 1 Cairnlea 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Altona City	7	6	0	1	23	9	18
Moreland City	7	6	0	1	22	8	18
Thomastown Devils	7	5	1	1	17	14	16
Williamstown	7	4	2	1	15	13	14
Cairnlea	7	4	0	3	18	17	12
Brunswick City	7	3	0	4	14	9	9
North Geelong Warriors	7	3	0	4	17	15	9
Ballarat Red Devils	7	3	0	4	17	16	9
Werribee City	7	2	1	4	12	14	7
Altona East Phoenix	7	2	1	4	10	15	7
Pascoe Vale	7	1	1	5	8	17	4
Maribyrnong Greens	7	0	0	7	1	27	0

SOUTH EAST 2

Seniors

Port Melbourne 0 Casey Comets 2, Eastern Lions 0 Doncaster Rovers 0, Knox City 0 Diamond Valley Utd 1 (L Minopoulos), Waverley Wanderers 0 Northcote City 2 (T Rixon 2), South Springvale 0 Chelsea 3 (Z Tudor K Paterson Own Goal), Stonnington City 2 Peninsula Strikers 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Northcote City	7	6	0	1	17	4	18
Stonnington City	7	5	0	2	12	9	15
Doncaster Rovers	7	4	2	1	17	7	14
Casey Comets	7	4	1	2	11	9	13
Chelsea	7	4	1	2	12	12	13
Knox City	7	4	0	3	13	8	12
South Springvale	7	4	0	3	10	10	12
Diamond Valley Utd	7	2	2	3	7	13	8
Eastern Lions	7	2	1	4	7	7	7
Port Melbourne	7	2	1	4	9	17	7
Waverley Wanderers	7	1	0	6	7	15	3
Peninsula Strikers	7	0	0	7	6	17	0

Reserves

Port Melbourne 2 Casey Comets 2, Eastern Lions 1 Doncaster Rovers 2, Knox City 4 Diamond Valley Utd 0, Waverley Wanderers 2 Northcote City 2, South Springvale 1 Chelsea 0, Stonnington City 0 Peninsula Strikers 4

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox City	7	6	1	0	20	5	19
Peninsula Strikers	7	5	0	2	18	5	15
Doncaster Rovers	7	4	1	2	13	7	13
South Springvale	7	4	0	3	8	10	12
Chelsea	7	3	2	2	11	9	11
Waverley Wanderers	7	2	4	1	18	12	10
Eastern Lions	6	3	1	2	12	9	10
Port Melbourne	7	2	3	2	13	17	9
Casey Comets	7	1	4	2	13	15	7
Northcote City	7	1	2	4	9	15	5
Diamond Valley Utd	6	0	1	5	4	18	1
Stonnington City	7	0	1	6	4	21	1

NORTH WEST 3

Seniors

Banyule City 0 La Trobe University 1 (C Pham), Geelong 6 (A Longo J Agius 2 J Ikanovic 2 K Otuo-Acheampong) North Sunshine Eagles 2 (D Huseyin R Isac), Lalor 0 Geelong Rangers 0, Sunbury Utd 2 (V Ierardo P Shipp) Yarraville Glory 2 (N Alevropoulos A Vatzakis), Lalor Utd 1 (T Dimovski) Sydenham Park 2 (T Kutlesovski N Topalov), Laverton Park Westvale

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Geelong	7	4	2	1	20	10	14
Lalor Utd	7	3	2	2	13	10	11
Banyule City	7	3	2	2	8	6	11
La Trobe University	7	3	2	2	9	8	11
North Sunshine Eagles	7	2	3	2	17	17	9
Geelong Rangers	7	2	3	2	13	14	9
Westvale	6	3	0	3	12	13	9
Yarraville Glory	7	2	3	2	9	12	9
Lalor	7	2	5	0	10	7	8
Sunbury Utd	7	2	1	4	10	14	7
Sydenham Park	7	1	3	3	8	10	6
Laverton Park	6	0	2	4	7	15	2

Reserves

Banyule City 0 La Trobe University 2, Geelong 3 North Sunshine Eagles 0, Lalor 3 Geelong Rangers 1, Sunbury Utd 2 Yarraville Glory 2, Lalor Utd 0 Sydenham Park 2, Laverton Park Westvale

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Geelong	7	6	0	1	22	4	18
La Trobe University	7	6	0	1	19	6	18
Sydenham Park	7	4	1	2	14	12	13
North Sunshine Eagles	7	3	2	2	12	12	11
Lalor Utd	7	3	0	4	12	11	9
Sunbury Utd	7	2	2	3	10	10	8
Westvale	6	2	2	2	9	11	8
Yarraville Glory	7	2	2	3	14	27	8
Lalor	7	3	1	3	19	11	7
Laverton Park	6	2	0	4	8	17	6
Banyule City	7	2	0	5	6	16	6
Geelong Rangers	7	1	0	6	8	16	3

SOUTH EAST 3

Seniors

Brandon Park 0 Morwell Pegasus 2 (F Albanese D Cairns), Boroondara Eagles 5 (M Magris CS Bullock NS Cunningham 2 M Gulino) Doveton 1 (M Tidd), Croydon City Arrows 2 (D Latimer AJ Butler) Southern Suburbs 1 (P Psarros), Sandringham City 3 (T Papadopoulos M McCluskey D McArthur) Berwick City 3 (M Nitz J Fernand OA Mejias), Endeavour Utd 4 (M Kirmaci S Savanah O Baheerathan) Heatherton Utd 1 (J Pekmezovic)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Boroondara Eagles	7	4	1	2	15	10	13
Morwell Pegasus	7	4	1	2	12	8	13
Springvale City	6	4	0	2	9	7	12
Croydon City Arrows	7	2	4	1	9	7	10
Southern Suburbs	7	3	1	3	9	11	10
Berwick City	7	2	3	2	11	11	9
North Caulfield	6	1	5	0	10	8	8
Brandon Park	7	2	2	3	11	10	8
Heatherton Utd	7	2	2	3	7	12	8
Endeavour Utd	7	1	4	2	13	13	7
Doveton	7	2	1	4	12	18	7
Sandringham City	7	1	2	4	10	13	5

Reserves

Brandon Park 3 Morwell Pegasus 1, Boroondara Eagles 1 Doveton 0, Croydon City Arrows 0 Southern Suburbs 1, Sandringham City 1 Berwick City 1, Endeavour Utd 7 Heatherton Utd 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Boroondara Eagles	7	6	0	1	16	4	18
Sandringham City	7	5	1	1	18	7	16
Croydon City Arrows	7	4	1	2	11	7	13
Doveton	7	3	3	1	9	3	12
Berwick City	7	3	3	1	13	9	12
Brandon Park	7	4	0	3	11	7	12
Southern Suburbs	7	3	2	2	9	13	11
North Caulfield	6	3	0	3	9	8	9
Morwell Pegasus	7	2	1	4	8	11	7
Endeavour Utd	7	2	0	5	15	12	6
Heatherton Utd	7	0	1	6	4	23	1
Springvale City	6	0	0	6	3	22	0

PROVI 1 NORTH WEST

Seniors

South Yarra 0 Corio 0, Western Eagles 4 (M Grixti MA Goralczyk 2 R Zadworny) Melbourne Tornado 1 (R Nobilo), Melbourne City 0 Whittlesea Utd 0, Avondale Heights Plenty Valley Lions , Elwood City 3 (L Lovell M Roberts IM Jones) Glenroy 4 (A Kranjinovic 3 R Kozul), Melbourne University Rangers 2 (B Mitchell 2) Hume Utd 1 (J Barrientos)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Hume Utd	7	5	1	1	14	3	16
Melbourne Uni Rangers	7	5	0	2	11	5	15
Western Eagles	7	4	1	2	12	8	13
Whittlesea Utd	7	3	3	1	10	4	12
Glenroy	7	4	0	3	15	11	9
Corio	7	2	3	2	5	6	9
Plenty Valley Lions	6	2	2	2	8	7	8
Avondale Heights	6	2	2	2	8	10	8
South Yarra	7	2	2	3	4	7	8
Elwood City	7	2	2	3	11	15	8
Melbourne City	7	1	2	4	8	12	5
Melbourne Tornado	7	0	0	7	4	22	0

Reserves

South Yarra 2 Corio 0, Western Eagles 3 Melbourne Tornado 2, Melbourne City 0 Whittlesea Utd 0, Avondale Heights Plenty Valley Lions , Elwood City 4 Glenroy 5, Melbourne University Rangers 4 Hume Utd 0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne Uni Rangers	7	6	1	0	24	2	19
Plenty Valley Lions	6	5	0	1	12	4	15
South Yarra	7	4	1	2	14	8	13
Avondale Heights	6	4	1	1	14	10	13
Whittlesea Utd	7	3	2	2	11	9	11
Elwood City	7	2	2	3	11	14	8
Hume Utd	7	1	4	2	10	13	7
Corio	7	2	1	4	8	18	7
Glenroy	7	3	0	4	15	14	6
Western Eagles	7	2	0	5	10	16	6
Melbourne City	7	1	2	4	4	13	5
Melbourne Tornado	7	1	0	6	7	19	3

PROVI 1 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Old Melburnians 5 (D Henderson M Pember 2 A Carmody T King) Fitzroy City 5 (N Ilic C Smillie J Corbett 2 Own Goal), Noble Park Utd 5 (Z Vukas Z Seci 2 L Medic 2) Ashburton 2 (B Jackson JA Clemson), Monbulk 6 (B Adams 2 N Van Egmond Q Wells 3) White Star Dandenong 0, Monash University 3 (A Salmon 2 T Masinde) Mooroolbark 3 (Y Christoforou L House M Djukic), Nunawading City 7 (M Marnell J Ivanov S Nittoli AM Adem 4) Scotch Old Boys 0, Warragul Utd 5 (P Cooper MK Lewry MR Petersen O Kelly SJ Morrison) Rowville Eagles 1 (M Voinea)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Noble Park Utd	7	6	1	0	29	7	19
Monbulk	7	6	0	1	21	7	18
Nunawading City	7	5	1	1	21	9	16
Fitzroy City	7	4	2	1	26	12	14
Old Melburnians	7	4	2	1	19	10	14
Scotch Old Boys	7	3	0	4	11	16	9
Mooroolbark	7	1	3	3	12	18	6
Rowville Eagles	6	2	0	4	8	20	6
Warragul Utd	7	1	2	4	11	14	5
Monash University	6	1	2	3	8	15	5
Ashburton	7	1	0	6	9	22	3
White Star Dandenong	7	0	1	6	4	29	1

Reserves

Old Melburnians 3 Fitzroy City 3, Noble Park Utd 1 Ashburton 4, Monbulk 2 White Star Dandenong 0, Monash University 3 Mooroolbark 1, Nunawading City 0 Scotch Old Boys 1, Warragul Utd 3 Rowville Eagles 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Nunawading City	7	5	1	1	20	6	16
Fitzroy City	7	4	3	0	21	9	15
Monbulk	7	4	3	0	11	5	15
Ashburton	7	4	2	1	12	6	14
Monash University	6	3	1	2	15	9	10
Warragul Utd	7	3	1	3	12	17	10
Noble Park Utd	7	3	0	4	17	14	9
Scotch Old Boys	7	2	2	3	12	15	8
Mooroolbark	7	2	0	5	9	14	6
Old Melburnians	7	1	2	4	9	14	5
Rowville Eagles	6	1	1	4	2	18	4
White Star Dandenong	7	1	0	6	3	16	3

PROVI 2 NORTH WEST

Seniors

Darebin Utd 2 (N Assaad J Nikolarakos) Moreland Utd 2 (B Infelice T Bayrakli), Brimbank City Northern Falcons , Melton 6 (S Paddon 3 JG Moody SM Borg 2) Bell Park 0, Collingwood City 0 Essendon Utd 3 (C Arvanitakis A Imvriotis D Meddis), Keon Park 1 (F Tranchitella) North City Lions 2 (R Nedelkov 2), West Preston 1 (T Emtsis) Hoppers Crossing 1 (CJ Harding)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Utd	7	6	1	0	16	3	19
North City Lions	7	5	2	0	18	7	17
West Preston	7	5	1	1	17	11	16
Moreland Utd	7	3	3	1	14	9	12
Keon Park	7	3	1	3	8	6	10
Hoppers Crossing	7	3	1	3	7	10	10
Northern Falcons	6	3	0	3	10	4	9
Collingwood City	7	2	2	3	10	11	8
Melton	7	2	0	5	13	15	6
Bell Park	7	2	0	5	4	15	6
Darebin Utd	7	1	1	5	6	18	4
Brimbank City	6	0	0	6	2	16	0

Reserves

Darebin Utd 0 Moreland Utd 2, Brimbank City Northern Falcons , Melton 3 Bell Park 1, Collingwood City 2 Essendon Utd 2, Keon Park 0 North City Lions 1, West Preston Hoppers Crossing

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Utd	7	5	2	0	23	6	17
North City Lions	7	5	1	1	17	6	16
Keon Park	7	3	3	1	15	8	12
Northern Falcons	6	3	2	1	13	10	11
Melton	7	3	2	2	11	9	11
West Preston	6	3	1	2	14	9	10
Collingwood City	7	2	3	2	13	13	9
Moreland Utd	7	2	1	4	9	23	7
Bell Park	7	2	0	5	20	15	6
Hoppers Crossing	6	1	2	3	5	9	5
Brimbank City	6	1	1	4	7	24	4
Darebin Utd	7	1	0	6	7	22	3

PROVI 2 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Mornington 1 (BR Skelly) Carrum Utd 0, Dandenong Sparrows 0 Old Camberwell Grammar 2 (P Spyropoulos G Loupos), Old Brighton Grammarians 1 (M Cameron) Berwick Kings 0, Keysborough 1 Old Trinity Grammarians 1, Caulfield Utd 1 (A Iliopoulos) Riversdale 5 (L Egonidis B Christakakis D Robertson R Halliday 2), Lyndale Utd 2 (G Murray J Whiteside) Whitehorse Utd 3 (K Tavrou 3)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Brighton Gramm	7	5	1	1	19	13	16
Old Camberwell Gram	7	5	1	1	11	5	16
Mornington	7	4	1	2	16	9	13
Lyndale Utd	7	4	1	2	15	12	13
Riversdale	6	4	0	2	18	7	12
Berwick Kings	7	4	0	3	6	9	12
Caulfield Utd	7	3	0	4	12	15	9
Whitehorse Utd	7	2	2	3	8	8	8
Carrum Utd	6	2	0	4	5	5	6
Keysborough	7	1	2	4	5	11	5
Dandenong Sparrows	7	1	2	4	3	13	5
Old Trinity Grammarians	7	0	2	5	5	16	2

Reserves

Mornington 2 Carrum Utd 3, Dandenong Sparrows 2 Old Camberwell Grammar 3, Old Brighton Grammarians 6 Berwick Kings 1, Keysborough 2 Old Trinity Grammarians 2, Caulfield Utd 2 Riversdale 3, Lyndale Utd 2 Whitehorse Utd 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Riversdale	7	6	0	1	21	11	18
Old Camberwell Gram	7	5	1	1	18	6	16
Caulfield Utd	7	5	0	2	18	7	15
Old Brighton Gramm	7	5	0	2	15	7	15
Old Trinity Gramm	7	3	2	2	16	15	11
Lyndale Utd	7	3	2	2	11	12	11
Whitehorse Utd	7	3	0	4	8	9	9
Carrum Utd	7	3	0	4	15	21	9
Mornington	7	1	3	3	17	16	6
Dandenong Sparrows	7	2	0	5	13	16	6
Keysborough	7	1	2	4	8	16	5
Berwick Kings	7	0	0	7	8	32	0

PROVI 3 NORTH WEST

Seniors

Brunswick Zebras 2 (D Romagnano BS Holod) Ascot Vale 0, Bundoora Utd 3 (NS Coyle 2 D Guadagno) Dallas Eagles 1 (O Kurucu), Youth Utd 1 (SA Cicek) Surf Coast 0, Watsonia Heights 8 (M Tavolaro R Duerden E Santone 3 H Abullahi 2 Own Goal) Moreland Wolves 3 (S Wheatley J Mazza C Longo), Northern Utd 0 Brimbank 6 (Z Bogoevski J D'Alessi 4 N Petrovski), Mill Park 1 (A Nichola) Epping City 7 (R Nerone G Trajanoski C Spaliaras 4 Y Saiid)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Watsonia Heights	7	6	0	1	25	9	18
Bundoora Utd	7	4	2	1	11	6	14
Epping City	7	4	1	2	19	7	13
Youth Utd	7	4	1	2	18	13	13
Brunswick Zebras	7	3	3	1	15	10	12
Brimbank	7	3	2	2	24	13	11
Ascot Vale	7	2	2	3	5	10	8
Mill Park	7	2	2	3	8	19	8
Northern Utd	7	1	3	3	4	15	6
Surf Coast	7	1	2	4	6	12	5
Moreland Wolves	7	1	2	4	11	20	5
Dallas Eagles	7	0	2	5	4	16	-1

Reserves

Brunswick Zebras 3 Ascot Vale 0, Bundoora Utd 9 Dallas Eagles 2, Youth Utd 3 Surf Coast 0, Watsonia Heights 3 Moreland Wolves 1, Northern Utd 0 Brimbank 2, Mill Park 0 Epping City 2

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Epping City	7	6	1	0	26	3	19
Watsonia Heights	7	6	1	0	24	6	19
Brunswick Zebras	7	5	1	1	19	9	16
Brimbank	7	5	0	2	15	10	15
Youth Utd	7	4	0	3	14	12	12
Moreland Wolves	7	3	1	3	19	14	10
Bundoora Utd	7	2	1	4	18	17	7
Surf Coast	7	2	1	4	15	21	7
Ascot Vale	7	1	3	3	8	14	6
Northern Utd	7	2	0	5	8	22	6
Mill Park	7	0	1	6	2	17	1
Dallas Eagles	7	1	0	6	11	34	0

PROVI 3 SOUTH EAST

Seniors

Keilor Wolves 2 (R Trifunoski) Endeavour Hills 1 (A Mustafa), Old Carey 2 (L Udorovic PJ Henson) Eltham North 0, Bayside Argonauts 1 Dandenong Warriors 0, Noble Park 0 Uni. of Melbourne 1 (SF Palmisano), Beaumaris 1 (RA Iles) Dandenong City 4 (H Andrews M Boruntia K Hasanzada JM Botha), Seaford Utd 5 (N Allen 3 M Mitchell Own Goal) Brighton 2 (H Campos G Lark)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Carey	7	6	0	1	18	10	18
Dandenong City	7	5	0	2	20	11	15
Beaumaris	7	4	1	2	18	14	13
Bayside Argonauts	7	4	1	2	13	10	13
Endeavour Hills	7	4	0	3	19	15	12
Noble Park	7	4	0	3	12	12	9
Seaford Utd	7	3	0	4	11	11	9
Uni. of Melbourne	7	3	0	4	12	13	9
Keilor Wolves	7	3	0	4	13	15	9
Brighton	7	2	0	5	13	23	6
Dandenong Warriors	7	1	1	5	14	19	4
Eltham North	7	1	1	5	9	19	4

Reserves

Keilor Wolves 6 Endeavour Hills 2, Old Carey 5 Eltham North 0, Bayside Argonauts 2 Dandenong Warriors 1, Noble Park 2 Uni. of Melbourne 3, Beaumaris 5 Dandenong City 2, Seaford Utd 4 Brighton 3

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Old Carey	7	6	0	1	24	8	18
Beaumaris	7	5	1	1	32	13	16
Bayside Argonauts	7	5	1	1	16	10	16
Dandenong Warriors	7	5	0	2	16	7	15
Keilor Wolves	7	3	2	2	16	16	11
Seaford Utd	7	2	3	2	22	17	9
Dandenong City	7	3	0	4	17	15	9
Uni. of Melbourne	7	3	0	4	14	13	9
Brighton	7	3	0	4	13	12	9
Eltham North	7	2	0	5	10	21	6
Endeavour Hills	7	1	0	6	10	33	3
Noble Park	7	0	1	6	9	34	-2

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ROUND EIGHT FIXTURES

All matches to be played on Saturday 24th May with 3pm KO unless otherwise stated.

STATE NW 2
Thomastown Devils v Brunswick City
Epping Soccer Stadium Friday 23 May KO 8:15PM
Ballarat Red Devils v Werribee City
Trekardo Park
Cairnlea v Altona East Phoenix
Cairnlea Park
Maribyrnong Greens v Altona City
Skinner Reserve
Pascoe Vale v Moreland City
Hosken Reserve
Williamstown v North Geelong Warriors
JT Gray Reserve

STATE SE 2
Doncaster Rovers v Knox City
Anderson Park Friday 23 May KO 8:30PM
Chelsea v Stonnington City
HD Thomas Reserve
Peninsula Strikers v Eastern Lions
Centenary Park
Casey Comets v South Springvale
Comets Stadium
Northcote City v Port Melbourne
John Cain Memorial Park
Diamond Valley Utd v Waverley Wanderers
Partington Flats

STATE NW 3
Sydenham Park v Laverton Park
Keilor Lodge Reserve
Westvale v Banyule City
McKechnie Reserve
Yarraville Glory v Lalor Utd
McIvor Reserve
Geelong Rangers v Sunbury Utd
Myers Reserve
North Sunshine Eagles v Lalor
Larissa Reserve
La Trobe University v Geelong Latrobe Uni
Lower Playing Fld

STATE SE 3
Springvale City v Brandon Park
Ross Reserve
Berwick City v Endeavour Utd
Jack Thomas Reserve
Southern Suburbs v Sandringham City
Keeley Park
Doveton v Croydon City Arrows
Waratah Reserve
Morwell Pegasus v Boroondara Eagles
Ronald Reserve
Heatherton Utd v North Caulfield
Bosnia & Herzegovina Centre
Sunday 25 May KO 3:00PM

PROVI NW 1
Glenroy v Melbourne University Rangers
Strathnaver Reserve
Hume Utd v South Yarra Laura
Douglas Reserve
Plenty Valley Lions v Elwood City
Bundoora Park Pavilion
Whittlesea Utd v Avondale Heights
Thomas Street Recreation Res.
Melbourne Tornado v Melbourne City
Newmarket Reserve
Corio v Western Eagles
Hume Reserve

PROVI SE 1
Scotch Old Boys v Warragul Utd
H.A. Smith Reserve
Rowville Eagles v Old Melburnians
Park Ridge Reserve
Mooroolbark v Nunawading City
Esther Park Reserve
White Star Dandenong v Monash University
Greaves Reserve
Ashburton v Monbulk
Ashburton Park
Fitzroy City v Noble Park Utd
Fairfield Park

PROVI NW 2
North City Lions v West Preston
Wallace Reserve
Hoppers Crossing v Darebin Utd
Grange Reserve
Essendon Utd v Keon Park
Aberfeldie Park
Bell Park v Collingwood City
Bell Park Sports Club
Northern Falcons v Melton
Hayes Park
Moreland Utd v Brimbank City
Moomba Park Reserve

PROVI SE 2
Riversdale v Lyndale Utd
Frog Hollow Reserve
Whitehorse Utd v Mornington
Terrara Park
Old Trinity Grammarians v Caulfield Utd
Trinity Sports Ground
Berwick Kings v Keysborough
Betula Park
Old Camberwell Gram v Old Brighton Gram
Deepdene Park
Carrum Utd v Dandenong Sparrows
Italo-Australian Club

PROVI NW 3
Brimbank v Mill Park
Italo-Australian Social Club
Epping City v Brunswick Zebras
Casa D'Abruzzo Club
Moreland Wolves v Northern Utd
Rayner Reserve
Surf Coast v Watsonia Heights
Quay Reserve
Bundoora Utd v Youth Utd Hills
Recreation Reserve
Ascot Vale v Dallas Eagles
Fairbairn Park

PROVI SE 3
Dandenong City v Seaford Utd
Frank Holohan Soccer Reserve
Brighton v Keilor Wolves
Dendy Park
Uni. of Melbourne v Beaumaris
Princes Park Oval #2
Dandenong Warriors v Noble Park
Lois Twohig Reserve
Eltham North v Bayside Argonauts
Eltham North Reserve
Endeavour Hills v Old Carey
Power Reserve

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VALLEY OUTSHINE KNOX IN THE WET

Knox City 0
Diamond Valley United 1
(Half-time 0-0)

One goal was always going to be enough to take the three points. That goal came after 67 minutes when Diamond Valley broke the deadlock with the first real attempt on target.

In fairness the game was played in difficult conditions with the rain making the pitch very muddy and neither side ever really came to grips with it.

The first half was little more than an arm wrestle in the middle third of the park. Knox probably had more of the play territorially but this was never turned into chances.

Hingert volleyed over and Nick Veljovic was just off-target with a far post header. At the other end Love shot wide from long range.

Players didn't always choose the right options when they got into scoring positions. Muratbegovic for Valley and Hoogendyk for Know both elected to try to find a team mate inside the penalty box when a shot might have been the better option.

Not withstanding the lack of chances, both sides were showing heaps of commitment and no quarter was asked nor given.

The first part of the second half proved to be a carbon copy of the first – cut and thrust with few clear chances. Saunders went close for Knox before Nick Veljovic made a desperate intervention to stop the ball reaching Minopoulos in a goal scoring position.

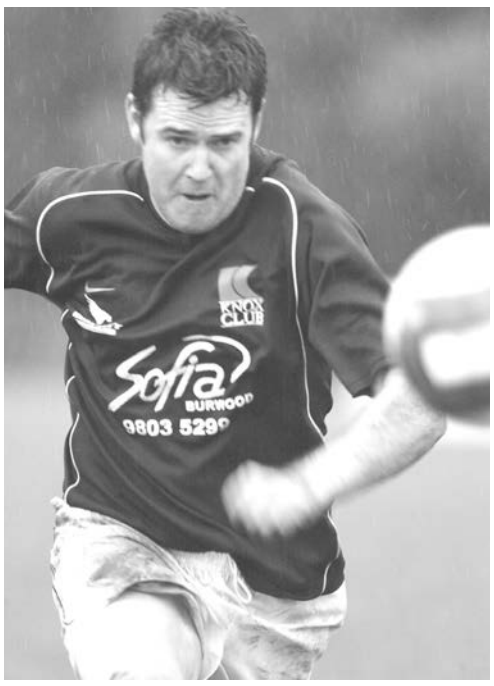
The break came in the 63rd minute when Knox coughed up the ball and Guiliano put Muratbegovic behind the Knox defence. Jorgensen did well to parry the resultant shot but the ball fell invitingly to two fowrds who were queued up at the back post. Minopoulos got the decisive touch to give Valley the lead.

Knox huffed and puffed to try to get level but Valley got plenty of bodies behind the ball to make it difficult for the home side. The visitors came closest to scoring when Pistininzi lobbed Jorgensen only to see his shot his the post and rebound to safety.

Knox City Reserves stayed clear at the top with a comprehensive 4-0 victory in the opening game, Missaghi scoring the first three goals.

Knox City: M. Jorgensen, C. Kerr, P. Veljovic, Z. Martinez, J. Hingert, N. Veljovic, Z. Buljabasic, L. Grubic (D. Veljovic – 74th)), M. Hoogendyk (J. Valadon – 64th), P. Nedza, A. Saunders. Subs not used – E. Becirovic, K. McEvoy.

Diamod Valley United: N. Sountaras, E. Awad, B. Love (D. Pistininzi -75th), J. Montagnese, S. Laing, V. Muratbegovic, E. Simsek, T. Guiliano, L. Minopoulos (A. Raynes – 75th), J. Kermanidis, M. D'Grazia. Subs not used: S. Sabelberg, S. Cassar.



In the wind and the rain: Know City action.

State League Div 2 SE
By Bruce Darnell

LOCAL DERBY ENDS IN A STALEMATE

Brunswick City 0
Pascoe Vale 0

The much awaited neighbouring derby between Brunswick and Pascoe Vale ended in a scoreless draw which was perhaps a fitting result since the strengths of both teams were clearly their defensive lines.

Pascoe Vale came into the game as favourites and after signing Marco Tolli from Altona East during the week their firepower up front looked dangerous. But the absence of Ferrante in the middle was going to test the depth of Trani's squad. Ciantar only made one'eye brow raising' change to the team that beat Maribyrnong last week by bringing in Sanita to replace Dokolas at stopper. The game played in a torrential downpour was played at a good pace and given the conditions the technical standard was also good.

Both teams began cautiously with few risks taken but it was Pascoe Vale who threw caution to the wind first when Serratore broke down the left flank to put in a dangerous cross only to be cleared by Danos. Quality opportunities were few and far between but it was clearly evident that the flanks were the main avenues of attack.

For Brunswick the blistering pace of left wing back Dennis Sadik was causing a myriad of problems for the Pascoe Vale right defensive side. In the 30' the ex Victorian Schoolboy player, Sadik,burst up the flank and cut back his cross to Prossimo who volleyed first time goalwards only to see the visitors custodian, Coles pull off a superb reflex save sending the ball for a corner.

On the opposite side of the park Trani's tactical change of swapping Raponi with Serratore was proving to be a headache for Brunswick as he again put in some telling crosses only to be denied by the Brunswick defence that were always first to the ball.

The second half was an even bigger struggle to create opportunities with all movements being thwarted by the well organised defences.

The introduction of Genovese to partner Tolli up front did not bear any fruit for the visitors whereas Brunswick's strike force could not penetrate the well organised defence of the 'Vales'. The visitors lifted the intensity for a ten minute period between the 60' and 70' where they won 4 corners but Jackson's defensive unit were well prepared and saw the wave off. Three minutes before the final whistle Brunswick had the best opportunity of the game to win .

Seventeen year old Daniel Sadik unleashed a cracking shot outside the 18 yard box that appeared to be goal bound. Wes Coles launched himself and made a fine save but the ball spilled out of his hands into the path of Gonullu. The Brunswick striker attempted to hit the target but the ex Brunswick keeper was equal to the challenge and pulled off a superb match saving effort to deny Brunswick a goal.

The final whistle denoted a fair result given the evenness of the contest. Luciano Trani could well be satisfied with a point away from home whilst Tony Ciantar could be equally satisfied with his boys efforts if Pascoe Vale are setting the bar as the best team in this league thus far.

Best:Sanita, Jackson, Danos, Dimitropoulos, Stafrace

Line up:Dimitropoulos,J.Vouloumanos, Jackson, Danos, Sanita, Cicchiti , (C.Vouloumanos 89') Gorcevski, Prossimo (Gonullu 61'), Stafrace (Dokolas 90'), Daniel Sadik , Dennis Sadik

Reserves:
The reserve team won comfortably 3-1 with Cannizzaro scoring a brace for Brunswick whilst the yound Chilean, Los Campos , was the solitary goalscorer.

State League 2NW
By Elias Simopoulos

GREENS NICK IT JUST IN TIME

Southern Stars 0
Bentleigh Greens 1

The Southern Stars hoodoo over the Bentleigh Greens ended on a rain soaked Ross Reserve on Saturday when the visitors' striker Nick Tsaltas scored an 86th minute winner to give the Greens a 1-0 win.

The Stars had won all three previous encounters between the two sides.

Saturday's match pitted second against third in State League Division one, and produced an attractive brand of football despite the difficult conditions. The skilful Greens, with a number of ex Premier League players in their line-up, showed composure on the ball and had a number of attacking options, always keeping the Stars' defence on their toes. The home team were allowed plenty of time to play the ball in their own half. However they struggled to break down a well organised Greens' defence forcing just the one save from Greens' keeper Christian Morales in the first half, from a deflected Chris Driver free kick.

The Greens too produced few first half chances, the best of which fell to Nick Tsaltas whose goal bound shot was cleared off the line by Stars skipper Fatih Akdogan.

As the skies grew darker early in the second half, the home team enjoyed a bright spell almost taking the lead when young striker Koray Suat received the ball out wide running in behind the Greens' defence. Unfortunately for the Stars' he sprayed his shot wide in a one on one with the keeper. As a scoreless draw looked more and more likely, a sudden turnover of possession by the home team on the half way line, gave the dangerous Alex Rojas possession and his defence splitting pass put striker Nick Tsaltas through on goal. Tsaltas finished clinically, and received an injury for his troubles from a clash with the advancing Stars' keeper Michael Sivulja.

Bentleigh Greens coach Harry Chalkitis said after the game, " I came here and I looked at the ground and I thought, ' Oh my God, how are we going to play on this, but credit to both sets of players, they did well. Delighted to get the win. That's three wins in a row now. We're still undefeated. I believe we're the best football side in the league. Obviously our ambition is to win promotion. It's going to take patience and hard work. Realistically now, we've competed against Bulleen, Southern Stars. We've played a couple of other decent sides. We can look forward to playing the Georgies with a bit of confidence."

A disappointed Southern Stars coach Dean Hennessy commented afterwards, ' It was a tight game. I thought personally we were the better team. We wanted to win it. They looked like they wanted to draw it, try and nick it on the break. And sure enough that's what undid us with five to go."

When asked about the Stars' second loss in a row to a promotion rival, the Stars coach added, "I got a good reaction today from the players after the loss last week. I think there's a lot to be positive about but just disappointed in the way the goal was scored. One of the strikers lost possession. It's just those one percenters that hurt you. But there's a long long way to go. We're not giving up yet."

Match winner Nick Tsaltas in action for the Bentleigh Greens on a rain soaked Saturday.

State League One
By George Stogiannou

PIORKOWSKI CHASES EURO DREAM

Inaugural Defender Parts Ways With Victory

Melbourne Victory announced that inaugural playing squad member Daniel Piorkowski has parted ways with the club and will head to Europe in hope of securing a contract with an overseas club.

Piorkowski, 24, has a European passport through his Polish parents, which has spurred the former Qantas Young Socceroo to travel abroad and embark on the next stage of his career.

"Daniel's a foundation member of the club, so he's been around for three years and it's always sad to see someone like that go," Victory Football Operations Manager Gary Cole said.

"He's got ambitions to play overseas and opportunities to go and trial and we wish him well.

"He's been unlucky with injuries during his three years here, but he's in great shape now and he needs to get some games and match conditioning under his belt so he can give a good account of himself on trial in Europe .

"Football doesn't use the term 'clubman' like Aussie Rules does, but in Aussie Rules terms he's been a great clubman.

"Nothing's been too hard for him, he's been great with the kids, he's been great doing player appearances and he's proud to have been part of Melbourne Victory and we've proud to have had him involved."

Piorkowski, who made 30 Hyundai A-League appearances for Victory, said the memories of the 2006/07 season, which saw Victory crowned Premiers and Champions for the first time, will stay with him forever.

"I've had a great time at Victory, the coaching staff and everyone here has been really good to me, especially Ernie for giving me an opportunity at the start, which I really appreciate," Piorkowski said.

"It's time to move on, have a crack overseas and fulfil a dream that's been strong for me, so we'll see what works out.

"I want to explore playing in Europe and not die wondering.

"From finishing second last in the first season to winning both titles in the second season was an awesome experience and something I'll never forget and the memories that went along with that were fantastic."

Piorkowski will not be available for Victory's final AFC Champions League 2008 match against Thailand 's Chonburi FC at Telstra Dome on Wednesday, 21 May as the club aims to secure second spot in Group G.

After three years of service, Daniel Piorkowski bids farewell to Victory and heads to Europe to try his luck in the hope of securing a contract.

WARD REWARDED

Melbourne Victory confirmed Olympic Games hopeful Nick Ward, who recently signed a contract extension until April next year, as the club's inaugural Under 23 marquee player.

Following Football Federation Australia's announcement earlier this month, each Hyundai A-League club can now have a maximum $150,000 salary for one Under 23 player exempt from the salary cap, allowing Victory to hold on to Ward.

"We've announced Nick Ward as our new Under 23 marquee player, which is a great decision by FFA to enable that," Victory Football Operations Manager Gary Cole said.

"The way it's structured, with clubs being able to spend up to $150,000 outside of the salary cap, gives you an opportunity to keep players in the country, albeit for maybe only another year or two, and establish them.

"For Nick, he's almost back to full fitness now and I think we've seen him do a great job for us in the last few games of the Hyundai A-League and he's done a great job throughout the AFC Champions League as well."

Ward said his decision to stay in Melbourne was made easier following the medical treatment he's received since arriving at Victory from English side Queens Park Rangers in December last year.

"It came down to my groin injury as well, that played a big part in it," Ward said.

"The treatment I've got down here has been first class and I haven't missed a game, so they've monitored it and taken me out of training when they've had to and I get treatment everyday.

"That played a massive part because I didn't want to head overseas not fit and Melbourne's been great.

"You get the lifestyle back in Australia and also, in my case, better treatment than what I was getting in the UK.

"It's still something on my mind and it's an aspiration of mine to go back (to Europe), but I'm happy in Melbourne at the moment and I want to be successful in Melbourne and win some trophies."

The attacking midfielder, who turned 23 in March, played a pivotal role in the Qantas Under 23s campaign to qualify for the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games and is confident of securing a spot to represent Australia in August.

"That's the plan for me, the Olympics is a massive thing.

Nick Ward (right) with Daniel Allsopp during the AFC campaign.

"I didn't go to the last camp because of my injury and I wanted to be fit, so I took six weeks off from training, just working in the gym so I could be ready for the AFC Champions League.

"It's going to be a tough time because I'm not going to get an off-season, but the Olympics only come around once in a lifetime."

Ward added the team was looking forward to its final AFC Champions League 2008 match against Thailand's Chonburi FC at Telstra Dome on Wednesday, 21 May and is determined to finish second in Group G.

"With the squad, we were a little bit off the mark in the AFC Champions League and we didn't really get the results that we wanted, but I don't think where we are on the table represents us as a team.

"With this Chonburi game coming up, it's a big game for us, the boys are buzzing at training and we want to get a win and finish second, where we think we should be.

"Gamba probably was the better side and they deserved to go through, but we think we're the second best side."

Tickets for the match against Chonburi, as well as Victory's blockbuster friendly against Italian giant Juventus FC at Telstra Dome on Friday, 30 May, are available from any Ticketmaster outlet, by calling 136 100 or by logging on to ticketmaster.com.au.

FORMER SOCCEROO'S TO LEAD VICTORY YOUTH

Melbourne Victory took a major step in the development of its inaugural National Youth League team, appointing former Qantas Socceroo Mehmet Durakovic as Coach and current Victory Goalkeeping Coach Steve Mautone as Assistant Coach.

Durakovic, 42, brings a wealth of experience from his three years as Assistant Coach at the Victorian Institute of Sport, while Mautone, 37, has extended his position with the club to a full time role, which also involves recruiting.

Durakovic made 64 appearances for Australia and played nearly 500 league matches, winning championships with Brunswick Juventus and South Melbourne in the former National Soccer League.

The former defender also spent four seasons with Malaysian outfit Selangor FA, where he led the club to a host of titles and received a PJK Award from the Malaysian government for outstanding achievements in sport.

Following his distinguished career on the field, Durakovic earned his International Asia 'A' Coaching Licence and took over as Port Melbourne Soccer Club's Head Coach in 2003, before joining the VIS two years later.

"Mehmet Durakovic is a legend in Victorian football," Victory Football Operations Manager Gary Cole said.

"He was a wonderful player and he's been Assistant Coach to Ian Greener at the VIS for three years.

"He's been part of their youth development and understands very well the football development program here in Victoria .

"He's very excited to be in football full time and we're sure he's going to do a fantastic job."

Mautone experienced a successful goalkeeping career locally and abroad, representing several English clubs including Reading FC, Wolverhampton Wanderers and West Ham United in the English Premier League.

"To support Mehmet we've got Steve Mautone, who's currently our Goalkeeping Coach and also has a terrific background," Cole added.

"He's got his International Asia 'B' Coaching Licence and has started work on his 'A' Licence.

"Steve now has three roles within the one, he's still the club's Goalkeeping Coach and he's also got a part time recruiting role assisting Ernie and I.

"As well as that, he's Assistant Coach of the club's National Youth League team and will be heavily involved with Mehmet in the recruiting of players for the National Youth League, which well and truly adds up to a full time job."

Cole said the club had followed the same established model used for Victory's Hyundai A-League team when building the National Youth League team and will now start recruiting players.

"The program's got to be built from the ground up," Cole said.

"Again we've followed the model that was very successful for us for the Hyundai A-League team, so the first thing we wanted to do was appoint coaches and we've done that with Mehmet and Steve.

"Part of what we can offer Victorian kids now is coaches that have been through all of the development programs as players.

"They've represented Victoria at a range of different ages and they've gone through and followed that pathway.

"We can offer the kids not only good coaches, but players that have represented Australia and have walked the path that most of these kids are going to want to follow."

The National Youth League will be run in conjunction with the Hyundai A-League season and will comprise seven teams, one from each of the Hyundai A-League's current Australian clubs, providing players aged between 16-21 years of age a clear pathway from youth leagues to senior level.

Victory will look to secure second spot in Group G of the AFC Champions League 2008 when it faces Chonburi in its final match at Telstra Dome on Wednesday, 21 May.

Gas bagging, News & Views

BOO'S WORLD With Mark Boric

I think Foreigner wrote a song about Canberra, for it is truly as Cold As Ice. Well, they didn't really it's about a woman/whore, but they could have. The lyrics do deal with something many coaches would have thought about or said to their players: "You never take advice, someday you'll pay the price, I know". They've seen it before, it happens all the time.

Last time Portsmouth won an FA Cup Final, the results of World War II were still not in, in fact it had barely kicked off. Cardiff City last won it in 1927, before the Great Depression, which will probably come back to that city now they have blown their chance to take the trophy. My tip for a former winners between the wars Cup Final in 2008 is a Huddersfield Town v Preston North End clash.

Zenit St.Petersburg defeated Rangers last week to win the UEFA Cup. This week, Chelsea could make it a double for Russian clubs in the European competitions when they face Manchester United in the Champion's League Final.

Can we hook Mark Milligan up with a club?

Pompey with the Cup in 1939.

Katsa may suggest he tries seek.com.au instead of wandering Europe and ignoring Olyroo training camps as he searches for a new home.

How many games/points have been decided on administrative blunders this season? Three that I know of. Fawkner Blues had a draw with the Melbourne Knights turned into a three-nil loss for fielding a suspended player. Diamond Valley v Northcote City and Mornington v Berwick Kings also join the list. Do people do not know the rules, or are the rules themselves flawed or not administered properly? It seems very excessive, in this day and age and at this point of the season, to see this occurring so often.

I was looking through the junior results to find something for Thumping of the Week, and I have to ask the question, is Bye the biggest junior club in Melbourne? How many kids must they have, they are in nearly all the leagues? Are they affiliated with a senior club?

So onto Thumping of the Week. Boys. South. Under 14B. Baxter 1 Endeavour United 15. Come on, Baxter, that's faeces (trying to tone the language down has always been a major problem with Thumping of the Week).

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KATSA'S KORNER With George Katsamboukas

KATSA'S KORNER 4-13

Winter is well and truly upon as, and with the blistery conditions that winter brings, comes Tennis Scores like the ones that we saw last weekend.

5-5, 8-3, 7-0, makes for some interesting matches. And these conditions are also a great leveller between teams that are sitting at the higher end of the ladder and teams that are sitting in the 'Westgate Bridge"

But winter also makes one person very, very happy, and that is my major sponsor, J Walker as many punters search for him during these cold months, to warm up their insides.

The UK Bookmakers are getting ready to post odds on all FFV Men's senior matches next weekend, and with that, come some interesting phone calls that Club Powerbrokers will receive over the next 3 months, where at around 5 pm on a Saturday afternoon, their mobiles will ring and having answered the call, the ISD peeps can be heard.

At the other end of the phone will be a punter from Africa wanting to know the result of their match, as this punter has placed his hard earned on the result.

FFV. You've done it again!

By the way, a special G'Day to Mark, it's actually been a while, but this week, Katsa went on the investigative trail to find out the intimate working of the Disciplinary Department out Darebin way.

It goes something like this:

The FFV has on their web site a listing of all player suspensions for previous and up coming Rounds.

However, the good folk at the FFV do not check incoming Team Sheets to see if suspended players have actually played when they are not supposed to.

This task is left to opposition teams who having identified that an opposition player has taken the field of play, must then lodge a Match Protest with the FFV, which by the way, they must actually pay for, and then the matter is heard by a Tribunal.

If either party is not happy with the outcome, they then may appeal the decision. By the way, they only get charged a small fee of $1,000 to appeal, and $1,000 in anyone's language is a very small price to pay for a visit to the Psychologists Registration Board in sunny Collins St, where these matters are heard.

Now it gets even more interesting as if we cast our minds to two seasons ago where a suspended player took the filed of play in the VPL, and 2 other Clubs then fought it out with the FFV to have results reversed as their teams were heading to the Westgate Bridge at seasons end.

Because of the FFV's refusal to check team sheets for suspended players, and the threat of litigation by these Clubs, the VPL was then increased to 16 teams, so as to provide a Happy End for everyone.

This then had ripple effects thru the lower divisions also as the following year, the Foxtel Cup needed to be reduced to 14 teams, and this year to 12, which means that more than 2 teams get relegated from each league, so as this can be achieved.

Now the answer is very simple and makes sense.

On average 43 players from all leagues are suspended on any given weekend.

It would take no longer than 3 hours each week to check these team sheets against the suspended players list, and then the onus should be on the FFV to charge players and clubs for playing when they were not supposed to, and reverse results accordingly.

This task should not be left to opposition clubs to monitor. It makes good sense. Over to you Mark!

Over to the UK we go where Manchester United took out the EPL Championship and what a happy man Sir Alex was clinching his 10th Title.

His choice of dress for the day was a touch unfortunate though as White Track Suit Tops are usually worn by the fairer sex!

FA Cup night is traditionally a great money spinner for clubs, with the exception of this year where there was minimal interest in the outcome of the Portsmouth Vs Cardiff match.

Portsmouth saluted the judge 1-0, providing them with their first bit of silverware in 68 years.

Until next week

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With Mike Lilikakis

CAVE CANEM (sic)

There's always something to like about the underdog.
It begins with a hope.
Something which sparks, a flame ignites and the burn is on.
Something so small, so trivial, but which has the power and purpose to consume everything around it, provided it has air to breathe to do so.

Such things are found in all facets of life, but uber particularly in football.
Let us speak highly and fondly of games from yore, which brings back sweet memories of places, faces, pints or loved ones, there to share with you a moment of sporting history.

The Classics.
Perhaps maybe even one for the annals.

So when I see for the first time since 1927 something which smacks of Roman Cave Canem, I can do little but feel the passion again, somewhat euphoric, for a sport which has the ability to write its own part in World History.

F. AYE CUP

Thanks to good ol' Mr. S Bee-Ess for the flashbacks.

Some of us are fortunate enough to have a small stash of ol' Cup finals and highlights of the 70's and 80's Premier League that we can stick into the VCR and have a grouse laugh at the attire, quality of picture, and finally stand there agape with the phenomenon of nostalgic moves, touches, shots and saves.

The majesty, beauty, resonance and harmony of a hundred thousand voices crying out "Abide With Me", even though the vast throng have little understanding of what the song means, other than it is a traditional hymn sung before the most important date in English football history, hones in the peaceful tides which bring the ripples of charity back onto the park.

Cardiff fit the bill, but do they have the quack?
Portsmouth entered the fray with a 9 man defence and Warren Spink up front. Harry Red Knapp must've got his team structure out of the Eddie Thomson coach manual. Kanu rounded rawhide but thought it better to hit the schtick.

Mark Bosnich gave me the wigglies with his export comments on "bad balls", "watch this counter attack", and "dangerous" ball play, along with, "I told you 5 minutes ago that would happen."
Charlie bollocks.
Innit.
Sol Campbell was a rock. Hasselbank was sna and definitely shouldn't have jinxed his team by playing in the final. The bloke has been top scorer a billion times yet never one a title. Much unlike Kirk Douglas, who was great in Spartacus.

Out of nothing more than what could only be called a goalkeeper's nightmare, a silly parry and the charcoal chicken put Pompey up, and the game came to life again.
Well at least till the highlights of the goal ended.
Question must be asked however. Why didn't the SBS crew have Martin Tyler commentating, or at the very least Ian St. John?
To put up with Boz Snitch was excruciating at best.

But what the hell do I know?
The Bozza played at Chelsea and Man Utd.
I played at Fershniggen FC and AOX.
Viva le Difference.

Calamity James lived up to his name, coming out one handed to crosses Fabian Barthez would gobble up in Turkey. Can't understand how a bloke/'keeper who stands at 6"5, can't for the love of Brian come out on crosses and claim them. Mystifies me in access.
Michael Hutchence would roll in his grave if he could.

Fuzzy Craig Foster can't wait to get into Leaping Les Murray's hot seat. The Grey Haired Ghost won't give it up easily though. It was great to see Les put Fozzy bear a la Kermit style. Well, it seems those blokes are Muppets anyways. Why didn't they dig up Craig Johnston or Alan Moffat?

I like Les.
He's Hungarian.

INTERMIZZIO

Next week we're going to delve deep into Copa Mundial shonkies, starting off with the backgrounds, shifties and dirty dealings of the FIFA. We'll see how Johann Gambelpuddi du von Kriskringel Tikelhorowitz of Ulm paid off Jules Rimet in 1928 for the rights to stage the first FIFA World Cup, in Uruguay, to be played in 1930.

That will be zupa.

2ND ARF

My word, it was predictably disappointing. No classic final.
No nostalgic nose picks. No speckies or crackers. I really should've written about my uncle's best friend's sister's boyfriend, who knew this guy who spoke to this kid who saw Ferris Bueller pass out at 31 Flavors last night. Heard it was pretty gross.

So for a change of pace let's look at this picture of Milla Jovovic from "The Fifth Element".

Clearly that's the most impressive gork since Sophia Loren.

So good onya Portsmouth, you've made the South coast of England very proud. You've done it again, sending the Car Diff ramble tamble. Creedence Clearwater is wrapped, and contemplating having a Revival.
Make the treck down yonder, shoot some foxes, and sink a few bevs. Just so you know, they hadn't done it since Adolf thought crossing over to Poland for a blitz was a grand idea.

My heart went out to Cardiff, a beautiful city in the land of the Dragons and Crymyr Frddfunnk. Just ask Davyyth.
Why is it, that the Welsh speak English and Welsh, but the Scottish speak only English with a Scottish accent?

I saw a Welsh film in Welsh, and I had to read the subtitles for a want of being completely gob smacked by what was going on with what was coming out of their mouth.
The Prince of Wales isn't Welsh. He can't speak good English either, but he's more Russian than British and his ears speak for themselves.

So is this going to be some more gay banter about who said what, and in what language? Not hardly. I'm just terribly disappointed that I got all wound up thinking there was going to be something Roy Orbison about the music made at Wembley.

NACHT

So after 6 hours of watching old football videos, DVDs and various Jack Nicholson eyebrow shuffles and grins, I have decided 2:16am is no time, and a desk no place, for a vagabond to spend quality sleepy time. The beauty of the laptop cannot be underestimated.
Its convenience therein cannot be underappreciated.
The grammar could be called underrated, but only because it sums up irrevocably the beauty and grandeur of 40 winks which in this day and age is sorely missed because of crap games like this years FA Cup Final.

In essence; the one night I am able to muster time, effort and energy to behold an "old school" final, I found it just as exciting as watching a cat scratch around in the litter box whilst trying artfully not to spill the sand over the edge.

The Football Purists are revolting.
Seriously, they are the worst bunch of people since the First Reich.
The First Reich didn't know they were a Reich till Charlemagne told them it sounded cool to say "Reich", rather than "FC."

Any historian will agree.
Clayton's tastes absolutely nothing like alcohol.

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NSW PREMIER MID-SEASON REVIEW

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Last season's champions, the Blacktown City Demons, are sitting on the bottom of the table after twelve rounds of competition. Their Grand Final opponents, Bankstown City, have also had a miserable season, and are a long way from the leading pack.

The Marconi Stallions, who recruited aggressively in the summer and looked set for an imperious season, went winless until Round 11.

The two clubs that have dominated the first half of the competition have been the Sutherland Sharks and Manly United. Sutherland's excellent results have owed much to their steady backline of George Souris, Pedje Bojic, Ben Spruce and Michael Katz. Bojic, back in Australia after a spell in England, has been a star of the competition, with his admirable reading of the game and surging runs from deep.

At the other end, the powerful Brad Boardman has provided Sutherland with a much-needed cutting edge, while Under 20 graduate Brendan Gan has been a revelation in midfield.

Manly United are a committed, fighting unit who rely for goals on their shrewd striker Robbie Cattanach. Long on the radar of many A-League coaches, the resourceful Cattanach is likely to make the step up to the national league before long. Other major contributors to Manly's success have been left-winger Joey Schirripa, rumoured to be on the way to Sydney FC, and the surprisingly prolific Craig Midgley.

Further back, Sydney United and Sydney Olympic have had impressive starts, the former making good use of a front pairing – Luka Glavas and Ben Vidaic – who both boast A-League experience. All the talk about Olympic early in the season centred on their free-kick maestro Shannon Cole, but his subsequent injury has allowed others at the Belmore club to show their worth in recent weeks, not least young Chris Triantis.

Wollongong FC, with their impressive African trio, have been steady achievers; generally slow starters, they have kept pace with the leaders from the beginning of the competition this time, and are a good outside bet for top honours.

The form of APIA-Leichhardt, the West Sydney Berries and Penrith-Nepean United has been mercurial to say the least. APIA in particular have posted a number of impressive wins, but have at times been found wanting in pressure situations. Penrith have at least improved markedly on their form last season, largely thanks to the goals of the clever Eric Anabalon.

What has become of last season's leaders? Bankstown have suffered from ill-discipline and an unclear coaching situation, while Blacktown have not recovered from the sale of almost their entire first team at the conclusion of the 2007 season; the addition of "wintering" A-Leaguers such as Adam Biddle, Leo Carle and Jordan Simpson has not been enough to arrest their slide.

Marconi started the season abysmally, but two victories in the last two rounds probably indicate that their star-studded squad will pick up its form markedly at the back end of the campaign.

Round 12

A dazzling 25-yard strike from Pedje Bojic sent Sutherland top of the league again, as Manly were surprisingly defeated at home by Bankstown City in a scrappy game. Bojic's strike sealed a 2-2 draw for Sutherland at Lambert Park, where new APIA recruit Jamie McMaster was influential for the home side.

Wollongong and Sydney United kept up the pressure on the top two with wins over Penrith-Nepean and Blacktown City respectively. Sydney Olympic, the other team within striking distance of the leaders, was also on the right side of the ledger, gaining revenge for their opening-day defeat by the West Sydney Berries with a 1-0 win at Belmore.

In the basement battle, Marconi gained their second win in succession (after a winless opening ten rounds) over the Macarthur Rams.

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FOOTBALL NSW

TELECHOICE RESULTS

Macarthur Rams 0 Marconi Stallions 1 (Vuko Tomasevic 87m), Sydney Olympic 1 (Anthony Hartshorn 67m) West Sydney Berries 0, APIA Leichhardt Tigers 2 (Robert Younis 22m Jamie McMaster 57m) Sutherland Sharks 2 (Brendan Gan 45m Predrag Bojic 84m), Manly United FC 0 Bankstown City FC 1 (Tayfun Devrimol 92m), Sydney United 2 (Luka Glavas 25m Josip Moric 82m) Blacktown City Demons 0, Penrith Nepean United 0 Wollongong FC 1 (Christopher Price 88m).

TELECHOICE STANDINGS

		P	W	D	L	F	A	D	Pts
1	Sutherland Sharks	12	7	5	0	23	8	15	26
2	Manly United FC	12	8	1	3	27	11	16	25
3	Sydney United	12	6	3	3	18	11	7	21
4	Wollongong FC	12	6	3	3	15	12	3	21
5	Sydney Olympic	11	6	2	3	17	8	9	20
6	A.P.I.A Leichhardt Tigers	12	4	4	4	23	19	4	16
7	West Sydney Berries	12	4	2	6	15	18	-3	14
8	Penrith Nepean United	12	3	4	5	13	22	-9	13
9	Bankstown City	11	3	3	5	8	15	-7	12
10	Marconi Stallions	12	2	5	5	9	17	-8	11
11	Macarthur Rams	12	1	4	7	6	16	-10	7
12	Blacktown City	12	1	4	7	7	24	-17	7

HOLDERS BUNDLED OUT OF TROPHY

Launceston City Knocked Out In Extra Time

Launceston City, the holders of the Milan Lakoseljac Memorial Trophy, were knocked out of the 2008 competition on Saturday when they went down 2-1 at home at Mitsubishi Park in extra-time to Tilford Zebras of Hobart.

Zebras even missed a penalty - through Dylan Fennell - in normal time, while City suffered a blow in the first period of extra-time when English import Matthew Reynier was sent off after collecting a second yellow card.

Fennell had given the southerners the lead after 18 minutes, but Josh Harrison equalised four minutes before the end of the regulation 90 minutes to take the tie into extra-time.

Josh Thorpe's goal in the 111th minute took the Zebras into the quarterfinals.

Glenorchy Knights squeezed through to the quarterfinals courtesy of a goal by joint player-coach Josh Fielding two minutes from the end of extra-time, which gave his side a 5-4 win over Kingborough Lions United, who had come back from 4-0 down after just 28 minutes.

A hat-trick by the Knights' Brazilian midfielder Igor and a stunning strike by joint player-coach Janko Begovic put the Knights 4-0 up, but complacency then allowed the Lions to stage an amazing come-back.

Tom McDonald reduced the arrears 10 minutes before the break, and when Jeremy Brown added a second five minutes after the resumption, the Knights looked decidedly shaky.

Greg Freeman made it 4-3 nine minutes from the end and the Knights panicked, giving away a free-kick just outside the box in the 85th minute, which Ross Hinkley drove home to make it 4-4 and take the match into extra-time.

Davenport City beat Hobart Olypic 2-0 in the State Wide Cup.

In the 118th minute, Mark Iseli tried to dribble his way out of trouble at the back for the Lions but lost possession to young substitute Peter Frank, whose precise cross to the far post enabled the unmarked Fielding to nod the ball home and give his side victory.

Chris McKenna gave Devonport City a 17th-minute lead against Hobart Olympic from Bradley Chilcott's pass, while in the 63rd minute, McKenna returned the favour by setting up Chilcott for Devonport's second goal in the 2-0 victory away at the Athletic Centre in Hobart.

Northern Rangers beat Division One outfit Kingston Cannons 3-1 away at Sherburd Park to eliminate the only non-Premier League side left in the State-wide competition.

Thataetsile Kakadumane, the Botswana speedster who used to play in the south, netted twice and Luke Connor once for the northerners, while Stewart Collins hit the Cannons' goal.

A goal by Peter Oosterloo was enough for Riverside Olympic to sink Prospect Knights in an all-northern clash, while two goals by Dwayne Walsh and one by Jacob Kavanagh gave southerners Clarence United a creditable 3-0 away win over Burnie United at Montello.

The game was abandoned by referee David Cole 15 minutes from the end after an ambulance had to be called to attend to Clarence's Chris Nicholson, who sustained a knee injury and could not be moved.

Southern side University beat North-West Coast visitors Somerset 5-4 in a penalty shoot-out after they were level at 2-2 after 90 minutes and 3-3 after extra-time.

David Buxton, Peter Gilham and Craig Stockdale netted in open play for University, as did Bobby Eaves, Keygan Wells and Gary Hamilton for Somerset.

In the penalty shoot-out, Buxton, Gilham, Takayuki Manaka, Bryn Griffiths and Iain Fletcher were successful for University, while Wells, Hamilton, Eaves and Sam Cocks netted for Somerset. Todd Hingston missed.

The remaining match between New Town Eagles and South Hobart, an all-southern affair, was scheduled for Sunday, which meant there would be five southern teams and three northern sides in the quarterfinals.

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FOX SPORTS

English Football Pub Quiz ? ?

1. The "Fields of Anthenry" was a song associated with which international side in 2000?
a. Rep of Ireland b. Wales
c. Scotland d. England

2. Which English Premier League team in 2006, sang a variation of the song "Fields of Athenry"?
a. Spurs b. Newcastle Utd
c. Liverpool d. Man Utd

3. "Blue Moon" was sung by which team in 1990?
a. Chelsea b. Man City
c. Everton d.Portsmouth

4. "Marching on Together" was the Anthem of which English football club in 1990?
a. Sunderland b. Notts Forest
c. Leeds Utd d.Southampton

5. "You'll Never Walk Alone" was sung by Liverpool, but which Scottish club also used it at their club in 2006?
a.Celtic b.Hearts
c.Dundee Utd d.St Mirren

6. "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles" would be heard by the fans at which London gound?
a. Arsenal b. West Ham
c. Chelsea d. Spurs

7. You're not _____ any more?

8. "Three Lions on the Shirt", the song released about the England national team was sung by which popular duo on 20th May 1996?
a. Chas & Dave
b. Hoddle & Waddle
c. Depech Mode
d. Baddiel & Skinner

9. True or false? "The Soldiers Song" was the national anthem of Wales, which was always sung before international games in 1960.

10. "Men of Harlech" is sung by which of this year's FA Cup finalists?

Grease is the word for question 3.

Quiz Answers

1. Republic of Ireland . "Fields of Athenry" was sung by the Irish national team and was also sung at Irish football and rugby matches. It was a song based on the famine of Ireland and was recorded first by singer Danny Doyle.
2. Liverpool. The Koppites sang the song changing athenry to Anfield Road, in reference to the stadium Anfield. It was to tell people of the stadium's great history
3. Manchester City fans sang this popular song that appeared in the movie "Grease".
4. Leeds United
5. Celtic
6. "I'm Forever Blowing Bubbles was the song sung by West Ham United fans at Upton Park in London.
7. Singing
8. Baddiel and Skinner. The TV hosts released the song with the band the lightning seeds in 1996, in time for Englands Euro '06 campaign.
9. False. "The Soldiers Song" is the national anthem of the Republic of Ireland, sung before international games that take place at Croke Park after the team's move there in 2006
10. Cardiff City. "Men of Harlech" is a traditional Welsh tune and is sung before the matches of Cardiff City at Ninian Park, their home ground.

Classic Quotes

"I'm not a believer in luck, but I do believe you need it" Alan Ball

"Football's not just about scoring goals - it's about winning" Alan Shearer

"We've never had a pop-star footballer quite like David (Beckham). People here simply can't get enough" Alan Smith

"As with every young player, he's only 18." Alex Ferguson

"As long as no-one scored, it was always going to be close." Arsene Wenger

"Nobody in football should be called a genius. A genius is someone like Norman Einstein." Bill Shankly

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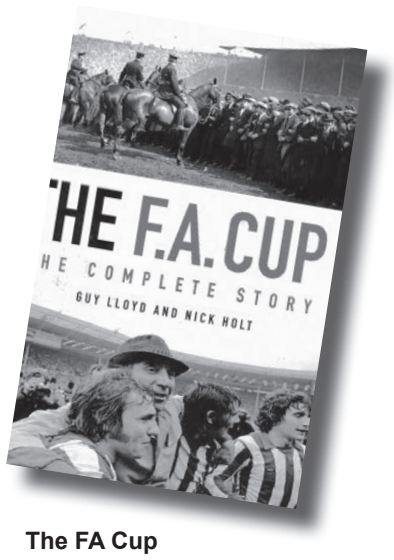

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Results & Ladders

Boys 18 Super League: South Melbourne 2 Essendon Royals 0, South Springvale 3 Brimbank City 2, Kingston City 0 Fawkner 3, Springvale White Eagles 5 Casey Comets 0, Brunswick City 0 Green Gully 3

Boys S/E 16 Super League: Endeavour Utd 6 Eastern Lions 1, South Melbourne 3 Doncaster Rovers 2, Springvale White Eagles 2 Oakleigh 1, Chelsea 2 FC Bulleen Lions 2, Box Hill Inter Berwick City

Boys S/E 15 Super League: Nunawading City 2 Mornington 0, Oakleigh 1 Monash City 8, Knox City 1 North Caulfield 1, Dandenong City 1 FC Bulleen Lions 3, Dandenong Thunder 1 Berwick City 0

Boys S/E 14 Super League: GSL 1 Monash City 1, Peninsula Strikers JFC 1 Sandringham City 1, South Melbourne 5 Box Hill Inter 1, Richmond 0 FC Bulleen Lions 1, Beaumaris 0 Oakleigh 0

Boys S/E 13 Super League: GSL 2 N.T.C 2, Brighton 0 Sandringham City 2, Monash City 1 Box Hill Inter 0, Croydon City Arrows 0 FC Bulleen Lions 3, South Melbourne 1 Berwick City 0

Boys N/W 16 Super League: Green Gully 2 Preston Lions 1, Sunshine Georgies 1 Keilor Park 6, Cairnlea 2 Fawkner 3, Coburg Utd Hume Utd , Melbourne Knights Bye

Boys N/W 15 Super League: Bye Keilor Park , Green Gully 6 Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 0, Altona Magic Fawkner , Preston Lions 0 Essendon Royals 3, Melbourne Knights 1 Sunshine Heights 3

Boys N/W 14 Super League: Coburg Utd Keilor Park , Cairnlea 4 Essendon Royals 3, Whittlesea Zebras 0 Brimbank 5, Hume Utd 0 Melbourne Knights 0, Brunswick City 1 Green Gully 2

Boys N/W 13 Super League: GRFA 3 Green Gully 3, Altona City 3 Keilor Park 1, Light Utd 0 Bundoora Utd 0, Essendon Royals 3 North City Lions 1, Melbourne Knights 2 Brunswick Zebras 0

Boys Metro 18 Blue: Altona East 2 Eastern Lions 1, Frankston Pines Knox City , Manningham 1 Doncaster Rovers 0, Cairnlea 3 Stonnington City 2, Altona City 2 Richmond 2

Boys Metro 18 Orange: Beaumaris 3 Endeavour Utd 4, Mornington 3 Baxter 7, Brighton 5 Doveton 3, Sandringham City 3 Keysborough 4, Langwarrin 3 Berwick City 2

Boys Metro 18 Purple: Sunshine Georgies 3 Preston Lions 2, DOC United FC Bentleigh Greens , Altona Magic Heidelberg Utd , Westgate 3 Whittlesea Zebras 4, Oakleigh 2 Richmond 2

Boys Metro 18 Red: Ballarat & District SA Northcote City , Light Utd 3 Westvale 1, Lalor Utd 2 Essendon Royals 3, Bundoora Utd Western Eagles , Melbourne Phoenix JFC 12 Brunswick Zebras 0

Boys Metro 18 Yellow: Brandon Park 2 East Bentleigh 1, Ashburton 5 Mooroolbark 1, Darebin Legends 2 Sherbrooke Rangers 2, Manningham 6 Boroondara Lions 2, Doncaster Rovers North Caulfield

Boys South 16 A: Langwarrin 0 Southern Stars 3, Dandenong City 1 Sandringham City 3, Brighton 4 Mornington 0, Chelsea 3 Berwick City 2

Boys South 16 B: Bye Brighton , Doveton 6 Langwarrin 1, Baxter 6 Beaumaris 3, Casey Comets Bentleigh Greens

Boys South 15 A: Bye Berwick City , East Bentleigh Doveton , Chelsea 2 Springvale White Eagles 1, Langwarrin 1 Beaumaris 0, Brighton 3 Casey Comets 2

Boys South 15 B: Brighton 2 Langwarrin 0, Carrum Utd 4 Peninsula Strikers JFC 4, Hampton Park Utd 1 Sandringham City 2, Berwick City 1 Seaford Utd 2

Boys South 15 C: Endeavour Utd Bye , Doveton 2 East Bentleigh 0, Baxter 2 0 Beaumaris 2, Brighton 0 Baxter 1 3, Sandringham City 0 Phillip Island 2

Boys South 14 A: Bentleigh Greens 12 Keysborough 0, Hampton 2 Harrisfield Hurricanes 1, Chelsea 1 Beaumaris 0, Brighton 10 Mornington 2, Hampton Park Utd 1 Berwick City 6

Boys South 14 B: Endeavour Utd 7 Chelsea 0, Hampton 1 Baxter 3, Mornington 0 Langwarrin 1, Brighton 1 Bentleigh Greens 3, Sandringham City 1 Berwick City 0

Boys South 14 C: Seaford Utd 3 Rosebud 1, Hampton Park Utd 0 Langwarrin 5, Peninsula Strikers JFC Bye , Brighton 1 East Bentleigh 7, Sandringham City 1 Casey Comets 9

Boys South 13 A: Hampton Park Utd Bye , Mornington 1 Keysborough 1, Dandenong City 5 Langwarrin 1, Endeavour Utd Dandenong Thunder , Hampton Berwick City

Boys South 13 B: Brighton 3 Doveton 1, Sandringham City 0 Mornington 5, Bentleigh Greens 1 East Bentleigh 2, Beaumaris 2 Baxter 1

Boys South 13 C: Beaumaris 0 Brighton 5, Carrum Utd 1 Springvale White Eagles 3, Rosebud Casey Comets , Peninsula Strikers JFC 4 Mornington 0

Boys South 13 D: Langwarrin 4 Frankston Pines 0, Brighton 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 0, Berwick City 3 Endeavour Utd 2, East Bentleigh Lyndale Utd

Boys South 12 A: GSL 0 South Eastern Piranhas 6, Hampton 0 Sandringham City 2, Bentleigh Greens 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 0, Brighton 3 Mornington 2, Langwarrin 1 Berwick City 3

Boys South 12 B: Casey Comets 4 Hampton Park Utd 2, Bentleigh Greens 0 Langwarrin 1, Melbourne Phoenix JFC 3 Beaumaris 0, Seaford Utd Southern Stars , Sandringham City 1 Berwick City 1

Boys South 12 C: Brighton Bye , Doveton 4 Beaumaris 0, Hampton 2 East Bentleigh 3, Mornington 2 Langwarrin 2, Sandringham City 0 Hampton Park Utd 1

Boys South 12 D: Beaumaris 0 Keysborough 1, Berwick City 0 Doveton 0, Baxter 1 Carrum Utd 4, Brighton 0 Dandenong Thunder 6, East Bentleigh Lyndale Utd

Boys South 12 E: Peninsula Strikers JFC 0 Sandringham City 4, Seaford Utd 0 Harrisfield Hurricanes 3, Casey Comets 2 Beaumaris 5, Brighton 1 Rosebud 1, Casey Panthers 6 Baxter (Western Port) 2

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green: Bye South Eastern Piranhas , Dandenong City 6 Peninsula Strikers JFC 1, Mornington 2 Brighton 2, Beaumaris 13 Kingston City 0, Bentleigh Greens 6 Endeavour Utd 0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Red:

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Springvale White Eagles 4 Hampton 0, Brandon Park 3 Southern Stars 1, Langwarrin 5 Chelsea 1, GSL 0 Berwick City 3, Aspendale 0 Sandringham City 6

Boys South 11 Kangaroos/Joeys Red: Brighton 1 1 Mornington 2, Sandringham City 0 Brighton 2 1, Keysborough 1 Hampton 2, Aspendale 0 Beaumaris 11

Boys South 11 Joeys Blue: Brighton 3 Beaumaris 2, Sandringham City 1 Berwick City 2, Peninsula Strikers JFC 0 Baxter 0, Hampton Park Utd 5 Carrum Utd 0

Boys South 11 Joeys Orange: Brighton 1 Beaumaris 1, Doveton 1 Casey Comets 2, Berwick City 5 Bentleigh Greens 0, Mornington 3 Seaford Utd 1

Boys East 16 A: Clayton 0 Whitehorse 3, Doncaster Rovers 2 Manningham 1, Riversdale 3 Nunawading City 0, Richmond 3 FC Bulleen Lions 5, Sherbrooke Rangers 4 Oakleigh 2

Boys East 16 B: Boronia 7 Glen Waverley 1, North Caulfield Caulfield Utd , Casey Comets 7 Manningham 0, Knox City 1 Hampton Park Utd 7

Boys East 16 C: Clayton 0 Whitehorse 4, Glen Eira 2 Mooroolbark 3, Croydon City Arrows 1 Eastern Lions 3, Mooroolbark 1 Hampton 1, Ashburton 2 South Springvale 1

Boys East 15 A: Clayton 0 Brandon Park 10, Doncaster Rovers 1 Boronia 3, FC Bulleen Lions 1 Glen Waverley 1, Richmond 4 Manningham 0, South Melbourne 4 Eastern Lions 0

Boys East 15 B: Doncaster Rovers Manningham , Boronia 0 Richmond 6, Riversdale 1 North Caulfield 2, Caulfield Utd 2 FC Bulleen Lions 2, Sherbrooke Rangers 0 Oakleigh 7

Boys East 15 C: Ashburton 1 Bye , Glen Waverley 0 Whitehorse 5, Ringwood City 4 Ashburton 2 3, Mooroolbark 2 North Caulfield 1, Brandon Park 5 Boroondara Lions 0

Boys East 14 A: Waverley Wanderers 0 Whitehorse 9, Doncaster Rovers 2 Brandon Park 0, FC Bulleen Lions 0 North Caulfield 2, Glen Waverley 2 Manningham 2, Knox City 6 Casey Comets 0

Boys East 14 B: Eastern Lions 1 Stonnington City 3, Ringwood City 2 Glen Waverley 0, Croydon City Arrows 1 North Caulfield 2, Doncaster Rovers Noble Park , Knox City 2 Riversdale 2

Boys East 14 C: Mooroolbark 0 Richmond 5, Melbourne Phoenix JFC 22 Caulfield Utd 0, Heidelberg Utd Whitehorse , Boronia 4 Doncaster Rovers 0

Boys East 14 D: Boroondara Lions 1 Stonnington City 1, Ringwood City 6 Mooroolbark 0, Nunawading City 8 East Bentleigh 0, Richmond 12 Croydon City Arrows 0, Glen Eira 4 Riversdale 2

Boys East 13 A: Nunawading City 0 Doncaster Rovers 5, Riversdale 0 Richmond 9, South Melbourne 1 North Caulfield 2, Boronia 1 Mooroolbark 2, Glen Waverley Oakleigh

Boys East 13 B: Clayton Bye , Ashburton 3 Glen Eira 1, Avondale Heights 0 Knox City 1, Richmond 0 FC Bulleen Lions 2

Boys East 13 C: Boroondara Lions 3 Brunswick City 1, Ringwood City 4 Boronia 1, FC Bulleen Lions 3 North Caulfield 1, Caulfield Utd 0 Manningham 4, Sherbrooke Rangers 5 Springvale City 1

Boys East 13 D: Eastern Lions 2 Glen Waverley 1, Clifton Hill 4 Richmond 1, Monash City 2 Glen Eira 3, Knox Utd 3 Brandon Park 2, Riversdale 0 Ashburton 1

Boys East 13 E: Knox Utd 1 Croydon City Arrows 0, Chelsea 5 Manningham 1, Ringwood City 0 Waverley Wanderers 5, Mooroolbark 1 Oakleigh 4

Boys East 13 F: Richmond 6 Eastern Lions 0, Heidelberg Stars 8 South Springvale 1, Whitehorse 6 Stonnington City 1, Rowville Eagles 3 North Caulfield 3

Boys East 12 A: Monash City 2 Riversdale 0, South Melbourne 3 Richmond 0, Ashburton 0 North Caulfield 5, Knox City 1 FC Bulleen Lions 0, Box Hill Inter 7 Oakleigh 0

Boys East 12 B: Bye Waverley Wanderers , Clayton 1 Box Hill Inter 0, Oakleigh 0 Doncaster Rovers 6, Richmond 4 Manningham 0, Springvale City 2 Glen Waverley 1

Boys East 12 C: Mooroolbark 0 Lalor 4, Glen Eira 0 Richmond 4, Doncaster Rovers 2 North Caulfield 1, South Springvale 2 FC Bulleen Lions 0, Sherbrooke Rangers 6 Glen Waverley 0

Boys East 12 D: Boronia 0 Nunawading City 2, Ashburton Croydon City Arrows , Boroondara Lions 0 Riversdale 0, Avondale Heights 4 Eastern Lions 2

Boys East 12 E: Richmond Bye , Boroondara Lions 4 Whitehorse 0, Ringwood City 0 Ashburton 1, Croydon City Arrows 2 North Caulfield 1, Eastern Lions 3 Doncaster Rovers 1

Boys East 12 F: Doncaster Rovers Bye , Ashburton 5 Boronia 0, Knox City 6 Croydon City Arrows 0, Glen Waverley 0 Clifton Hill 6

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Green: Ashburton 1 FC Bulleen Lions 1, Box Hill Inter Oakleigh , Doncaster Rovers 2 Richmond 2, Croydon City Arrows 1 Caulfield Utd 0

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Orange: North Caulfield Bye , South Melbourne 4 Whitehorse 1, Oakleigh 2 Riversdale 1, Richmond 1 Knox Utd 0, Hampton 5 Mooroolbark 0

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Boroondara Lions 1 Box Hill Inter 7, Stonnington City 0 Ashburton 3, FC Bulleen Lions 1 Monash City 1, Doncaster Rovers 1 Manningham 1, Eastern Lions 10 South Yarra 0

Boys East 11 Joeys Blue: Whitehorse 1 Doncaster Rovers 2, East Bentleigh Glen Waverley , Knox Utd 6 Boronia 1, Richmond 5 FC Bulleen Lions 1, Sherbrooke Rangers 2 Croydon City Arrows 3

Boys East 11 Joeys Orange: Knox City Bye , Waverley Wanderers 1 Whitehorse 3, Ringwood City 7 Richmond 0, Riversdale 0 North Caulfield 4, Sherbrooke Rangers 9 Mooroolbark 0

Boys East 11 Joeys Red: Boroondara Lions 0 Whitehorse 3, Oakleigh 1 Richmond 0, Glen Waverley 3 East Bentleigh 2, Knox City 6 Ashburton 0, Doncaster Rovers 4 North Caulfield 0

Boys North 16 A: Bye Moreland Utd , Coburg Utd Epping City , Northcote City 1 Heidelberg Stars 8, Whittlesea Zebras 0 Essendon Royals 2, Brunswick Zebras Bundoora Utd

Boys North 16 B: DOC United FC 3 Light Utd 5, Essendon Utd 3 Hume Utd 5, Brunswick Zebras Moreland Wolves , Mitchell Rangers Sunbury Utd , Watsonia Heights 1 Bundoora Utd 1

Boys North 15 A: Lalor Utd 2 Heidelberg Utd 1, Light Utd 0 Essendon Royals 8, Whittlesea Zebras 3 Bundoora Utd 1, Brunswick Zebras Fawkner , Epping City 3 Moreland City 0

Boys North 15 B: Heidelberg Stars 1 Bundoora Utd 7, Moreland City 0 Diamond Valley Utd 3, Plenty Valley Lions 6 Epping City 0, Northcote City 9 Brunswick City 1, Watsonia Heights 0 Moreland Utd 2

Boys North 14 A: Epping City 7 Essendon Royals 2, Clifton Hill 0 Sunbury Utd 3, Eltham North Bundoora Utd , Greenvale Utd 0 Fawkner 0, Light Utd 0 Preston Lions 3

Boys North 14 B: Bundoora Utd Epping City , Northcote City 0 Fawkner 6, Brunswick Zebras Whittlesea Zebras , Moreland City 4 Banyule City 1, Watsonia Heights 1 Meadow Park 1

Boys North 14 C: Coburg Utd Alphington , FC City Central 4 Essendon Royals 0, North City Lions 9 Banyule City 0, Bye Moreland Wolves , Brunswick Zebras Eltham North

Boys North 13 A: Epping City Bye , Moreland City 4 Reservoir Strikers 0, Preston Lions Brunswick City , Whittlesea Zebras 0 Essendon Royals 1, North City Lions 3 Diamond Valley Utd 2

Boys North 13 B: Eltham North Epping City , Brunswick Zebras Essendon Utd , Alphington 0 Hume Utd 4, Lalor Utd 0 Fawkner 8, Watsonia Heights 0 Clifton Hill 2

Boys North 12 A: Light Utd 7 Hume Utd 1, Meadow Park 1 Essendon Royals 4, Whittlesea Zebras 2 Bundoora Utd 1, Brunswick City 0 Epping City 3, Coburg Utd Eltham North

Boys North 12 B: Moreland Wolves 0 Moreland City 2, Northcote City 1 Light Utd 1, Preston Lions 4 Eltham North 1, Greenvale Utd 0 Brunswick Zebras 6, Fawkner 5 Coburg Utd 0

Boys North 12 C: Epping City 0 Diamond Valley Utd 3, Heidelberg Utd Essendon Royals , Alphington 2 Hume Utd 2, Sunbury Utd 0 Banyule City 4, Watsonia Heights 1 Moreland Utd 7

Boys North 12 D: Bundoora Utd Plenty Valley Lions , Broadmeadows Utd Mitchell Rangers , Brunswick Zebras DOC United FC , Eltham North 0 North City Lions 2, Pascoe Vale 3 North Lions 0

Boys North 11 Kangaroos Yellow: Bundoora Utd Meadow Park , Sunbury Utd 2 Brunswick City 1, Heidelberg Stars 2 Epping City 2, Brunswick Zebras Lalor Utd , Fawkner 5 Diamond Valley Utd 0

Boys North 11 Joeys Blue: Bye Moreland Utd , Moreland City 1 Light Utd 5, Northcote City 7 Mitchell Rangers 0, Avondale Heights Bundoora Utd , Fawkner 4 Banyule City 1

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Orange: Essendon Royals 1 13 Watsonia Heights 0, Eltham North 1 Eltham North 2 , Greenvale Utd 2 Essendon Royals 2 2, Yarraville 4 Heidelberg Utd 0, Alphington 2 0 Alphington 1 6

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Red: Moreland Wolves 1 Hume Utd 0, Plenty Valley Lions 2 Brunswick Zebras 1, St. Albans Saints Upfield , Whittlesea Zebras 4 North City Lions 0, Watsonia Heights 2 Clifton Hill 1

Boys West 16 A: Green Gully Bye , Gisborne 1 South Yarra 1, Hoppers Crossing Williamstown , Keilor Park 8 Laverton Park 1, Sunbury Utd 2 Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 4

Boys West 16 B: Werribee City 1 South Yarra 0, Brimbank 4 Reservoir Strikers 1, Altona East 1 Altona City 2, Melton 6 Sydenham Park 2, Western Eagles 17 Melbourne Lions 1

Boys West 15 A: Keilor Park Bye , GRFA 0 Green Gully 2, Werribee City 2 Brimbank City 0, Sydenham Park 0 Altona East 3, Geelong Sunshine Georgies

Boys West 15 B North/West: Lalor Utd 0 Keilor Wolves 6, Altona City 5 Carlton Youth 3, Williamstown 2 Port Melbourne 1, Hoppers Crossing Bacchus Marsh JSC

Boys West 14 A: Sunshine Georgies 1 GRFA 0, Werribee City St. Albans , Sydenham Park 2 North Geelong Warriors 4, Altona East 3 South Yarra 1, Hoppers Crossing Sunshine Heights

Boys West 14 B: Keilor Park 4 Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 1, Western Eagles 0 Brimbank 2, Green Gully 2 Melton 0, Altona City 4 North Sunshine Eagles 6

Boys West 14 C North/West: Wyndham Olympic DOC United FC , Yarraville 4 Preston Lions 1, Avondale Heights 1 Williamstown 1, Melton 1 Hoppers Crossing 10, Gisborne 5 Sunbury Utd 0

Boys West 13 A: Green Gully 0 Sunshine Georgies 1, Williamstown 2 Laverton Park 2, Cairnlea 1 Gisborne 5, Keilor Park BASL , Geelong Altona City

Boys West 13 B: Williamstown 1 Brimbank City 1, Werribee City 1 Spring Hills 0, Hoppers Crossing Brimbank , Melton 2 Sydenham Park 0

Boys West 13 C: Maribyrnong United Wyndham Olympic , Port Melbourne Flemington Eagles , Upfield Mitchell Rangers , Melbourne Lions 6 Brunswick Zebras 2, AVA Seagulls 2 FC Birarrung JFC 0, Bacchus Marsh JSC 0 Bundoora Utd 6

Boys West 12 A: GRFA 0 Green Gully 0, Altona City 0 Keilor Park 0, Hoppers Crossing Sunshine Georgies , South Yarra Gisborne , Melbourne Knights 1 Williamstown 0

Boys West 12 B: Green Gully 5 St. Albans 1, Sydenham Park 2 South Yarra 0, Cairnlea 9 Melton 0, Keilor Park 0 Altona Magic 3, Melbourne Knights 2 Brimbank 1

Boys West 12 C: Spring Hills 0 Wyndham Olympic 2, Cairnlea 3 Flemington Eagles 0, Laverton Park Gisborne , Williamstown 1 Brimbank 1, Altona City 6 Hoppers Crossing 6, Keilor Wolves 3 Ballarat Academy Of Soccer 6

Boys West 11 Kangaroos Green: Green Gully 0 Altona City 0, Werribee City 0 Keilor Park 4, Hoppers Crossing Sunshine Georgies , South Yarra 9 Altona East 0, Melbourne Knights 4 Williamstown 0

Boys West 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Blue: Brimbank 3 Green Gully 1, Westvale 0 Brimbank City 12, Williamstown 0 Sydenham Park 8, Keilor Park 4 Maribyrnong Greens 2, Western Eagles 0 Sunshine Heights 0

Girls Metro 18 A: Bye Croydon City Arrows , Ashburton 5 Boroondara Eagles JFC 0, Gisborne 0 Westgate 12, Mooroolbark 3 Brimbank 1, Langwarrin 0 Berwick City 0, Beaumaris 7 Whitehorse 0

Girls Metro 16 A: Berwick City 0 Brighton 4, Meadow Park 3 GRFA 3, Brunswick Zebras Whitehorse , Brandon Park 1 Richmond 6, Keilor Park 5 Langwarrin 0

Girls Metro 16 B: Brunswick City 0 Boroondara Lions 5, Glen Eira 0 Doncaster Rovers 1, Diamond Valley Utd 5 Ringwood City 1, Glen Waverley 2 Keilor Wolves 4, Baxter 0 Sandringham City 0

Girls N/W 16 C: Sydenham Park 0 Watsonia Heights 1, Greenvale Utd 0 North City Lions 5, Gisborne Altona City , Pascoe Vale 6 Nunawading City 0, Sunbury Utd Ballarat Academy Of Soccer

Girls S/E 16 C: Mooroolbark 2 Boronia 1, East Bentleigh Mornington , Sherbrooke Rangers 2 0 Sherbrooke Rangers 1 7, Hampton Park Utd 5 Endeavour Utd 1, FC Bulleen Lions 5 Seaford Utd 1

Girls Metro 15 A: Bundoora Utd Brighton , Doncaster Rovers 8 Dandenong Thunder 0, Sandringham City 8 Hoppers Crossing 0, Croydon City Arrows 3 Brunswick Zebras 1

Girls Metro 15 B: Casey Comets 5 Langwarrin 0, Richmond 4 Altona City 2, East Bentleigh Caulfield Utd , Carrum Utd 1 Eltham North 1, Peninsula Strikers JFC 0 Baxter 5

Girls Metro 15 C: Chelsea 2 Dandenong City 2, Glen Waverley 3 Watsonia Heights 3, Whittlesea Zebras 5 Brighton 0, Croydon City Arrows 3 Sandringham City 4, Beaumaris Eastern Lions

Girls N/W 15 D: Brimbank Bye , Brunswick Zebras Altona East , Keilor Park Epping City , Cairnlea 2 Bundoora Utd 1

Girls S/E 15 D: Bye Noble Park , Carrum Utd 3 Knox City 0, Springvale White Eagles 4 Heatherton Utd 0, Richmond 2 Boroondara Lions 1, North Caulfield Glen Eira

Girls Metro 14 A: Sandringham City 0 Boroondara Lions 4, North Caulfield 4 Brighton 0, Croydon City Arrows 1 Alphington 0, Essendon Royals 3 Sherbrooke Rangers 0, Bye Ashburton

Girls Metro 14 B: South Melbourne 2 Box Hill Inter 1, Glen Eira 0 Diamond Valley Utd 8, Berwick City 3 Glen Waverley 0, Pascoe Vale 3 Port Melbourne 0, Brunswick Zebras Boroondara Lions

Girls N/W 14 C: Kensington JGSC 2 Watsonia Heights 1, Doncaster Rovers 4 Sunbury Utd 3, FC Bulleen Lions 3 DOC United FC 0, Keilor Park 1 Eltham North 1, South Yarra 2 Whittlesea Zebras 0

Girls S/E 14 C: Brandon Park 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 7, North Caulfield Sherbrooke Rangers , Baxter 1 Boronia 0, Eastern Lions 0 Brighton 0

Girls Metro 13 A: Bye Brunswick Zebras , Ashburton 1 Knox City 2, Richmond 1 Boroondara Lions 0, Keilor Park 1 Croydon City Arrows 0, Carrum Utd 2 Sherbrooke Rangers 1

Girls Metro 13 B: Eltham North Hoppers Crossing , North Caulfield 0 Glen Waverley 1, Nunawading City 0 Brighton 2, Beaumaris 0 Whitehorse 4, Monash City 1 Boronia 5

Girls Metro 13 C: Sandringham City 0 Peninsula Strikers JFC 0, Banyule City 0 Baxter 0, Oakleigh 4 Brighton 1, Casey Panthers 1 Glen Eira 2

Girls Metro 13 D: Mornington 1 Bundoora Utd 5, Glen Waverley 3 Carrum Utd 1, Boronia 0 Keilor Wolves 0, Heidelberg Utd 0 Sydenham Park 3

Girls Metro 12 A: Richmond 1 Boroondara Lions 1, Berwick City 5 Brighton 0, Keilor Park 4 Hampton 0, Beaumaris 1 Dandenong Thunder 5, Ashburton 3 Carrum Utd 2

Girls Metro 12 B: Richmond 1 Ashburton 2, Glen Eira 0 St. Albans 4, North Caulfield 3 Sherbrooke Rangers 0, Oakleigh 5 Brighton 0, Eltham North Sandringham City

Girls N/W 12 C: Bye Kensington JGSC , Brunswick Zebras 2 Diamond Valley Utd , Sunbury Utd Watsonia Heights , Essendon Royals 5 Brunswick Zebras 1 0, Banyule City 2 Green Gully 1

Girls S/E 12 C: Bye Bye , Glen Waverley 0 Clifton Hill 1, South Yarra 0 Croydon City Arrows 2, Box Hill Inter 2 FC Bulleen Lions 2

Girls Metro 11 A: South Yarra 0 North Caulfield 11, Stonnington City 1 Sherbrooke Rangers 1, Ringwood City 0 Boroondara Lions 6, Ashburton 0 Brighton 4, East Bentleigh Bye , Pascoe Vale 2 Croydon City Arrows 1

Girls Metro 11 B: Berwick City 7 North Caulfield 0, Carrum Utd Bye , Sandringham City 1 5 Hampton 0, Peninsula Strikers JFC 1 Rosebud 1, Casey Panthers 0 Sandringham City 2 5, Ashburton 0 Brighton 1

Boys 18 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbourne	7	6	0	1	34	9	18
Green Gully	7	5	1	1	16	9	16

Results & Ladders

FC Bulleen Lions	6	5	0	1	24	5	15
Springvale White Eagle	7	5	0	2	16	6	15
Fawkner	6	3	1	2	15	9	10
Essendon Royals	7	2	1	4	11	11	7
Kingston City	7	2	1	4	10	16	7
Brimbank City	7	2	1	4	12	20	7
Brunswick City	6	2	1	3	8	19	7
South Springvale	7	2	1	4	7	21	7
Keilor Park	6	1	2	3	4	6	5
Casey Comets	7	0	1	6	8	34	1

Boys S/E 16 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Chelsea	4	3	1	0	10	2	10
Springvale White Eagles	3	3	0	0	14	1	9
Endeavour Utd	4	3	0	1	15	6	9
South Melbourne	3	3	0	0	12	6	9
FC Bulleen Lions	4	1	2	1	9	10	5
Oakleigh	3	1	0	2	6	3	3
Doncaster Rovers	3	1	0	2	5	6	3
Eastern Lions	4	0	1	3	2	15	1
Berwick City	3	0	0	3	2	9	0
Box Hill Inter	3	0	0	3	0	17	0

Boys S/E 15 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Nunawading City	4	4	0	0	13	4	12
Monash City	4	3	0	1	12	5	9
North Caulfield	3	2	1	0	7	2	7
FC Bulleen Lions	4	2	1	1	9	5	7
Dandenong City	4	2	0	2	8	6	6
Mornington	4	1	1	2	4	5	4
Knox City	4	1	1	2	3	4	4
Dandenong Thunder	4	1	0	3	2	10	3
Oakleigh	3	1	0	2	3	12	3
Berwick City	4	0	0	4	3	11	0

Boys S/E 14 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lions	4	3	1	0	7	1	10
Beaumaris	4	2	2	0	3	1	8
South Melbourne	4	2	1	1	9	5	7
Richmond	4	1	2	1	10	5	5
GSL	3	1	2	0	3	2	5
Peninsula Strikers JFC	4	1	1	2	5	7	4
Oakleigh	3	1	1	1	6	11	4
Monash City	4	0	3	1	4	7	3
Sandringham City	4	0	2	2	5	7	2
Box Hill Inter	4	0	1	3	2	8	1

Boys S/E 13 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbourne	4	4	0	0	17	0	12
Berwick City	4	3	0	1	8	4	9
Monash City	4	3	0	1	5	3	9
FC Bulleen Lions	4	2	2	0	9	4	8
Sandringham City	4	1	2	1	7	8	5
GSL	4	0	3	1	7	8	3
N.T.C	4	0	3	1	5	6	3
Brighton	4	1	0	3	6	11	3
Croydon City Arrows	4	1	0	3	6	13	3
Box Hill Inter	4	0	0	4	2	15	0

Boys N/W 16 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Keilor Park	4	3	0	1	13	3	9
Fawkner	4	3	0	1	12	9	9
Coburg Utd	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Green Gully	3	1	1	1	6	9	4
Preston Lions	3	1	0	2	2	3	3
Melbourne Knights	3	1	0	2	4	6	3
Cairnlea	4	1	0	3	4	7	3
Sunshine Georgies	3	1	0	2	4	12	3
Hume Utd	2	0	1	1	4	5	1

Boys N/W 15 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Green Gully	4	4	0	0	18	2	12
Essendon Royals	3	2	0	1	13	5	6
Keilor Park	3	2	0	1	7	9	6
Sunshine Heights	3	1	1	1	5	5	4
Preston Lions	3	1	1	1	5	7	4
Altona Magic	3	1	0	2	6	7	3
Ballarat Academy	4	1	0	3	2	17	3
Fawkner	2	0	1	1	3	4	1
Melbourne Knights	3	0	1	2	4	7	1

Boys N/W 14 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brimbank	3	3	0	0	12	0	9
Green Gully	4	2	1	1	8	8	7
Cairnlea	4	2	1	1	8	9	7
Whittlesea Zebras	4	1	2	1	3	7	5
Essendon Royals	4	1	1	2	11	9	4
Melbourne Knights	4	0	4	0	1	1	4
Keilor Park	3	1	1	1	4	6	4
Brunswick City	3	1	0	2	5	5	3
Coburg Utd	3	0	2	1	2	4	2
Hume Utd	4	0	2	2	3	8	2

Boys N/W 13 Super League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals	4	4	0	0	8	3	12
Green Gully	4	3	1	0	10	5	10
Altona City	4	3	0	1	8	8	9
Bundoora Utd	4	2	1	1	10	6	7
GRFA	4	1	2	1	8	8	5
Light Utd	4	1	2	1	4	4	5
Melbourne Knights	4	1	1	2	5	5	4
Keilor Park	4	1	0	3	4	8	3
North City Lions	4	0	1	3	7	11	1
Brunswick Zebras	4	0	0	4	2	8	0

Boys Metro 18 Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Manningham	4	4	0	0	14	2	12
Frankston Pines	3	3	0	0	10	2	9
Cairnlea	3	3	0	0	8	4	9
Altona City	3	2	1	0	5	2	7
Altona East	4	2	0	2	5	11	6
Richmond	4	1	1	2	9	6	4
Stonnington City	4	1	0	3	7	9	3
Doncaster Rovers	2	0	0	2	1	4	0
Eastern Lions	4	0	0	4	3	10	0
Knox City	3	0	0	3	2	14	0

Boys Metro 18 Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Langwarrin	4	3	1	0	18	8	10
Doveton	4	3	0	1	18	8	9
Brighton	4	2	2	0	13	8	8
Berwick City	4	2	1	1	13	4	7
Baxter	4	2	0	2	19	11	6
Mornington	4	2	0	2	17	19	6
Keysborough	4	2	0	2	11	15	6
Endeavour Utd	4	2	0	2	10	14	6
Sandringham City	4	0	0	4	4	13	0
Beaumaris	4	0	0	4	5	28	0

Boys Metro 18 Purple

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Zebras	4	4	0	0	12	8	12
Richmond	4	3	1	0	18	6	10
Heidelberg Utd	3	2	0	1	15	10	6
Altona Magic	3	2	0	1	6	3	6
Preston Lions	3	2	0	1	7	6	6
Oakleigh	3	1	1	1	11	5	4
Sunshine Georgies	4	1	0	3	7	10	3
Bentleigh Greens	3	1	0	2	6	11	3
DOC United FC	3	0	0	3	5	14	0
Westgate	4	0	0	4	6	20	0

Boys Metro 18 Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Melbourne Phoenix JFC	4	3	1	0	22	3	10
Western Eagles	3	3	0	0	14	1	9
Light Utd	4	3	0	1	12	5	9
Bundoora Utd	3	2	1	0	16	7	7
Essendon Royals	4	2	1	1	9	8	7
Lalor Utd	4	2	0	2	9	10	6
Northcote City	3	1	1	1	8	8	4
Ballarat & District SA	3	0	0	3	4	12	0
Westvale	4	0	0	4	4	19	0
Brunswick Zebras	4	0	0	4	0	25	0

Boys Metro 18 Yello

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Manningham	4	3	1	0	25	6	10
Brandon Park	4	3	0	1	9	3	9
Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
North Caulfield	2	2	0	0	8	5	6
Boroondara Lions	4	2	0	2	10	11	6
Darebin Legends	3	1	1	1	5	7	4
Ashburton	4	1	0	3	9	13	3
East Bentleigh	4	1	0	3	6	15	3
Sherbrooke Rangers	3	0	2	1	7	10	2
Mooroolbark	4	0	0	4	3	16	0

Boys South 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Southern Stars	4	4	0	0	13	3	12
Brighton	4	2	0	2	13	7	6
Sandringham City	2	2	0	0	5	2	6
Chelsea	3	2	0	1	8	10	6
Langwarrin	4	2	0	2	5	7	6
Dandenong City	4	1	0	3	11	9	3
Mornington	3	1	0	2	3	7	3
Berwick City	4	0	0	4	5	18	0

Boys South 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doveton	2	2	0	0	17	5	6
Baxter	2	2	0	0	7	3	6
Langwarrin	2	1	0	1	4	7	3
Bentleigh Greens	0		0	0	0		
Brighton	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Casey Comets	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Beaumaris	2	0	0	2	7	17	0

Boys South 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Langwarrin	3	3	0	0	8	0	9
Brighton	3	3	0	0	9	3	9
Chelsea	4	3	0	1	11	11	9
Doveton	3	2	0	1	6	2	6
East Bentleigh	3	1	1	1	3	7	4
Berwick City	3	1	0	2	8	6	3
Beaumaris	3	1	0	2	6	4	3
Casey Comets	4	0	1	3	5	11	1
Springvale White Eagl	4	0	0	4	2	14	0

Boys South 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	4	4	0	0	24	4	12
Sandringham City	4	4	0	0	17	6	12
Langwarrin	4	2	0	2	12	10	6
Carrum Utd	4	1	1	2	6	13	4
Peninsula Strikers JFC	4	1	1	2	11	23	4
Hampton Park Utd	4	1	0	3	12	14	3
Berwick City	4	1	0	3	4	6	3
Seaford Utd	4	1	0	3	5	15	3

Boys South 15 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Phillip Island	4	3	0	1	19	5	9
Endeavour Utd	3	3	0	0	7	2	9
Beaumaris	4	2	1	1	5	5	7
Baxter 1	4	1	2	1	7	5	5
Doveton	3	1	1	1	6	6	4
Sandringham City	4	1	1	2	6	9	4
Baxter 2	3	1	0	2	3	6	3
Brighton	4	1	0	3	4	16	3
East Bentleigh	3	0	1	2	1	4	1

Boys South 15 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	4	3	1	0	20	4	10
Berwick City	4	3	1	0	12	2	10
Hampton	4	3	0	1	7	5	9
Bentleigh Greens	4	2	1	1	21	4	7
Chelsea	4	2	1	1	7	5	7
Harrisfield Hurricanes	4	2	1	1	9	8	7
Mornington	4	1	0	3	4	20	3
Hampton Park Utd	4	0	2	2	5	12	2
Beaumaris	4	0	1	3	3	11	1
Keysborough	4	0	0	4	5	22	0

Boys South 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Endeavour Utd	4	4	0	0	33	1	12
Sandringham City	4	4	0	0	4	0	12
Bentleigh Greens	4	3	0	1	10	5	9
Langwarrin	4	2	0	2	4	3	6
Chelsea	4	2	0	2	7	11	6
Mornington	4	1	0	3	3	5	3
Hampton	4	1	0	3	6	12	3
Berwick City	3	1	0	2	5	13	3
Baxter	4	1	0	3	5	22	3
Brighton	3	0	0	3	1	6	0

Boys South 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
East Bentleigh	4	4	0	0	22	5	12
Casey Comets	4	3	1	0	25	6	10
Langwarrin	4	2	1	1	12	7	7
Seaford Utd	4	2	1	1	10	7	7
Peninsula Strikers JFC	3	1	1	1	8	8	4
Rosebud	4	0	2	2	7	11	2
Brighton	3	0	1	2	6	15	1
Sandringham City	3	0	1	2	5	16	1
Hampton Park Utd	3	0	0	3	1	21	0

Boys South 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Hampton Park Utd	3	3	0	0	12	1	9
Dandenong Thunder	3	2	1	0	9	4	7
Dandenong City	4	2	1	1	11	7	7
Berwick City	3	2	0	1	4	3	6
Keysborough	3	1	1	1	6	5	4
Mornington	4	1	1	2	5	6	4
Endeavour Utd	3	1	0	2	6	4	3
Langwarrin	3	0	0	3	2	12	0
Hampton	2	0	0	2	1	14	0

Boys South 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	4	3	1	0	8	1	10
Beaumaris	4	3	0	1	9	5	9
Mornington	4	2	1	1	6	2	7
East Bentleigh	4	2	1	1	8	5	7
Bentleigh Greens	4	2	0	2	14	4	6
Doveton	4	1	1	2	5	7	4
Sandringham City	4	1	0	3	3	13	3
Baxter	4	0	0	4	1	17	0

Boys South 13 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	4	4	0	0	14	2	12
Springvale White Eagle	4	4	0	0	14	4	12
Peninsula Strikers JFC	4	2	0	2	9	5	6
Carrum Utd	4	2	0	2	9	9	6
Casey Comets	3	1	0	2	6	9	3
Rosebud	3	1	0	2	7	11	3
Beaumaris	4	1	0	3	5	11	3
Mornington	4	0	0	4	5	18	0

Boys South 13 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Berwick City	4	4	0	0	13	6	12
Langwarrin	4	3	1	0	9	0	10
Endeavour Utd	4	3	0	1	12	4	9
Brighton	4	2	1	1	9	5	7
Frankston Pines	4	1	0	3	6	12	3
Lyndale Utd	3	0	1	2	5	7	1
Peninsula Strikers JFC	4	0	1	3	0	10	1
East Bentleigh	3	0	0	3	1	11	0

Boys South 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Eastern Piranhas	4	4	0	0	23	2	12
Brighton	4	4	0	0	13	6	12
Sandringham City	4	3	0	1	14	3	9
Hampton	4	1	2	1	4	5	5
Mornington	4	1	1	2	6	10	4
Berwick City	4	1	0	3	10	11	3
Peninsula Strikers JFC	4	0	3	1	1	4	3
GSL	4	1	0	3	3	15	3
Langwarrin	4	0	2	2	4	8	2
Bentleigh Greens	4	0	2	2	1	15	2

Boys South 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Casey Comets	4	4	0	0	18	3	12
Melbourne Phoenix JF	4	3	1	0	19	1	10
Beaumaris	4	3	0	1	18	3	9
Berwick City	4	2	1	1	7	5	7
Southern Stars	3	2	0	1	9	5	6
Sandringham City	4	1	2	1	6	4	5
Hampton Park Utd	4	1	0	3	6	12	3
Langwarrin	4	1	0	3	2	20	3
Seaford Utd	3	0	0	3	0	10	0
Bentleigh Greens	4	0	0	4	3	25	0

Boys South 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doveton	3	3	0	0	21	0	9
Brighton	3	3	0	0	12	0	9
Mornington	4	1	3	0	9	5	6
Hampton Park Utd	4	2	0	2	6	12	6
Beaumaris	3	1	1	1	8	6	4
East Bentleigh	4	1	1	2	5	16	4
Langwarrin	4	0	3	1	3	8	3
Hampton	3	0	1	2	2	8	1
Sandringham City	4	0	1	3	2	13	1

Boys South 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Dandenong Thunder	4	4	0	0	30	1	12
Carrum Utd	4	3	1	0	10	3	10
Lyndale Utd	3	2	1	0	9	3	7
Keysborough	4	2	1	1	11	9	7
East Bentleigh	3	1	2	0	6	4	5
Doveton	4	1	2	1	6	5	5
Beaumaris	4	1	0	3	3	10	3
Berwick City	4	0	2	2	2	18	2
Brighton	4	0	1	3	2	11	1
Baxter	4	0	0	4	1	16	0

Boys South 12 E

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Harrisfield Hurricanes	4	4	0	0	10	0	12
Baxter (Western Port)	4	3	0	1	26	8	9
Beaumaris	4	3	0	1	14	4	9
Casey Panthers	4	3	0	1	14	5	9
Sandringham City	3	2	0	1	5	3	6
Casey Comets	4	1	0	3	5	9	3
Rosebud	2	0	2	0	3	3	2
Brighton	4	0	1	3	3	17	1
Seaford Utd	4	0	1	3	2	17	1
Peninsula Strikers JFC	3	0	0	3	1	17	0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	4	3	1	0	18	5	10
Dandenong City	4	3	0	1	18	11	9
Mornington	4	2	2	0	14	3	8
Beaumaris	4	2	1	1	19	4	7
South Eastern Piranhas	3	2	1	0	12	0	7
Bentleigh Greens	4	1	1	2	8	9	4
Endeavour Utd	3	0	0	3	1	15	0
Peninsula Strikers JFC	3	0	0	3	1	20	0
Kingston City	3	0	0	3	0	24	0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Springvale White Eagle	4	4	0	0	25	2	12
Sandringham City	4	3	0	1	14	8	9
Berwick City	4	3	0	1	11	5	9
GSL	4	3	0	1	7	3	9
Brandon Park	4	2	0	2	9	7	6
Southern Stars	4	2	0	2	7	6	6
Langwarrin	4	1	0	3	6	12	3
Hampton	4	1	0	3	5	13	3
Chelsea	4	1	0	3	4	22	3
Aspendale	4	0	0	4	3	13	0

Boys South 11 Kangaroos/Joeys Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Mornington	4	4	0	0	22	1	12
Beaumaris	4	3	1	0	23	2	10
Brighton 2	4	3	0	1	6	1	9
Brighton 1	4	2	1	1	4	2	7
Hampton	4	2	0	2	4	8	6
Aspendale	4	1	0	3	1	23	3
Sandringham City	4	0	0	4	1	10	0
Keysborough	4	0	0	4	2	16	0

Boys South 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brighton	4	3	1	0	10	3	10
Berwick City	4	3	1	0	6	2	10
Hampton Park Utd	4	3	0	1	12	5	9
Beaumaris	4	3	0	1	8	3	9
Peninsula Strikers JFC	4	1	1	2	2	4	4
Sandringham City	4	1	0	3	4	8	3
Baxter	4	0	1	3	0	4	1
Carrum Utd	4	0	0	4	0	13	0

Boys South 11 Joeys Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Berwick City	4	3	1	0	14	3	10
Doveton	4	3	0	1	18	2	9
Casey Comets	4	2	2	0	14	4	8
Mornington	4	2	1	1	8	5	7
Beaumaris	4	1	2	1	5	6	5
Seaford Utd	4	1	0	3	6	12	3
Brighton	4	0	2	2	2	14	2
Bentleigh Greens	4	0	0	4	0	21	0

Boys East 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whitehorse	4	3	0	1	9	5	9
Doncaster Rovers	3	3	0	0	8	4	9
Nunawading City	3	2	0	1	7	4	6
FC Bulleen Lions	4	2	0	2	12	10	6
Manningham	4	2	0	2	9	7	6
Riversdale	4	2	0	2	7	5	6
Sherbrooke Rangers	4	2	0	2	9	12	6
Oakleigh	3	1	0	2	7	10	3
Clayton	3	1	0	2	4	8	3
Richmond	4	0	0	4	9	16	0

Boys East 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Caulfield Utd	3	3	0	0	24	3	9
Boronia	3	3	0	0	17	1	9
Casey Comets	4	3	0	1	19	9	9
North Caulfield	2	2	0	0	18	2	6
Hampton Park Utd	4	1	0	3	12	18	3
Glen Waverley	3	1	0	2	7	13	3
Manningham	3	0	0	3	0	22	0
Knox City	4	0	0	4	2	31	0

Boys East 16 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Eastern Lions	4	4	0	0	17	6	12
Whitehorse	4	3	1	0	19	6	10
Hampton	4	2	1	1	18	5	7
Mooroolbark	4	2	1	1	6	4	7
South Springvale	4	2	0	2	14	3	6
Ashburton	4	2	0	2	11	10	6
Mooroolbark	4	1	2	1	7	12	5
Croydon City Arrows	4	0	2	2	9	15	2
Clayton	4	0	1	3	0	16	1
Glen Eira	4	0	0	4	3	27	0

Boys East 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbourne	4	4	0	0	9	0	12
Brandon Park	4	3	0	1	19	4	9
Boronia	4	2	1	1	11	8	7
Eastern Lions	4	2	0	2	10	7	6
Richmond	4	2	0	2	6	4	6
Manningham	4	2	0	2	4	8	6
FC Bulleen Lions	4	1	2	1	6	5	5
Doncaster Rovers	3	1	0	2	4	6	3
Glen Waverley	3	0	1	2	2	5	1
Clayton	4	0	0	4	0	24	0

Boys East 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lions	3	3	0	0	15	2	9
Sherbrooke Rangers	3	2	1	0	5	2	7
Oakleigh	2	2	0	0	8	1	6
Riversdale

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Mooroolbark	3	0	0	3	1	17	0

Boys East 13 F

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Heidelberg Stars	3	3	0	0	16	0	9
Whitehorse	2	2	0	0	11	0	6
Stonnington City	3	2	0	1	10	3	6
Richmond	3	1	1	1	5	6	4
Rowville Eagles	3	1	1	1	4	9	4
North Caulfield	2	0	1	1	1	7	1
Eastern Lions	3	0	1	2	2	16	1
South Springvale	3	0	0	3	2	10	0

Boys East 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Richmond	3	3	0	0	24	4	9
Box Hill Inter	3	3	0	0	13	1	9
South Melbourne	2	2	0	0	8	0	6
FC Bulleen Lions	3	2	0	1	4	2	6
Knox City	3	1	0	2	3	3	3
Riversdale	3	1	0	2	5	7	3
North Caulfield	2	1	0	1	1	3	3
Monash City	2	0	0	2	2	10	0
Oakleigh	2	0	0	2	0	9	0
Ashburton	3	0	0	3	0	21	0

Boys East 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Box Hill Inter	3	2	1	0	14	5	7
Richmond	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Doncaster Rovers	2	1	1	0	8	2	4
Oakleigh	2	1	1	0	4	2	4
FC Bulleen Lions	2	1	0	1	7	5	3
Glen Waverley	3	1	0	2	3	6	3
Manningham	3	0	2	1	2	9	2
Clayton	3	0	1	2	0	7	1
Springvale City	2	0	0	2	0	7	0

Boys East 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC Bulleen Lions	3	3	0	0	13	4	9
South Springvale	3	2	1	0	5	1	7
Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Richmond	2	1	0	1	11	2	4
Glen Waverley	3	1	1	1	5	3	4
Sherbrooke Rangers	3	1	1	1	4	5	4
Glen Eira	2	0	1	1	1	3	1
Lalor	3	0	1	2	5	10	1
North Caulfield	2	0	0	2	1	3	0
Mooroolbark	3	0	0	3	1	20	0

Boys East 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Nunawading City	3	3	0	0	4	1	9
Avondale Heights	3	2	0	1	8	5	6
Boronia	3	2	0	1	7	7	6
Croydon City Arrows	3	1	1	1	6	4	4
Eastern Lions	3	1	1	1	6	6	4
Boroondara Lions	3	1	1	1	4	4	4
Riversdale	3	0	1	2	2	5	1
Ashburton	3	0	0	3	2	7	0

Boys East 12 E

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whitehorse	2	2	0	0	5	0	6
Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	5	1	6
Eastern Lions	3	1	2	0	3	2	5
Croydon City Arrows	3	1	1	1	5	5	4
Boroondara Lions	1	1	0	0	7	0	3
North Caulfield	2	1	0	1	2	2	3
Richmond	3	0	1	2	1	4	1
Ringwood City	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Ashburton	3	0	0	3	0	12	0

Boys East 12 F

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Clifton Hill	2	2	0	0	19	0	6
Knox City	3	2	0	1	17	9	6
Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	7	3	6
Glen Waverley	2	1	0	1	7	7	3
Croydon City Arrows	2	0	1	1	4	6	1
Ashburton	3	0	1	2	2	25	1
Boronia	2	0	0	2	2	8	0

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Green

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	7	1	6
Richmond	2	2	0	0	5	0	6
Croydon City Arrows	3	2	0	1	2	2	6
Box Hill Inter	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
Ashburton	3	1	0	2	3	4	3
Oakleigh	2	1	0	1	2	3	3
Caulfield Utd	2	0	1	1	1	2	1
FC Bulleen Lions	3	0	0	3	1	9	0

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Melbourne	3	2	1	0	14	2	7
Hampton	3	2	1	0	9	2	7
Whitehorse	2	2	0	0	6	0	6
Richmond	3	1	1	1	7	10	4
North Caulfield	2	1	0	1	6	5	3
Oakleigh	2	0	1	1	4	5	1
Knox Utd	3	0	1	2	4	7	1
Mooroolbark	2	0	1	1	2	6	1
Riversdale	2	0	0	2	0	15	0

Boys East 11 Kangaroos Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Monash City	3	3	0	0	18	0	9
FC Bulleen Lions	3	2	1	0	8	1	7
Box Hill Inter	3	2	1	0	8	1	7
South Yarra	3	2	0	1	7	3	6
Manningham	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
Boroondara Lions	3	1	0	2	4	7	3
Ashburton	3	1	0	2	3	8	3
Doncaster Rovers	2	0	0	2	0	4	0
Eastern Lions	2	0	0	2	0	7	0
Stonnington City	3	0	0	3	0	19	0

Boys East 11 Joeys Blue

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
East Bentleigh	3	3	0	0	20	0	9
Richmond	3	3	0	0	16	1	9
Doncaster Rovers	2	2	0	0	4	0	6
Whitehorse	3	1	2	0	4	3	5
Knox Utd	3	1	2	0	3	2	5
Sherbrooke Rangers	3	1	1	1	1	5	4
FC Bulleen Lions	3	0	1	2	2	10	1
Glen Waverley	3	0	0	3	1	6	0
Croydon City Arrows	2	0	0	2	1	9	0
Boronia	3	0	0	3	0	16	0

Boys East 11 Joeys Orang

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Sherbrooke Rangers	3	3	0	0	6	0	9
Waverley Wanderers	2	2	0	0	15	0	6
Knox City	3	2	0	1	11	1	6
Whitehorse	2	2	0	0	9	1	6
Ringwood City	1	1	0	0	9	0	3
Riversdale	3	1	0	2	8	10	3
North Caulfield	2	0	0	2	0	5	0
Richmond	3	0	0	3	2	17	0
Mooroolbark	3	0	0	3	0	26	0

Boys East 11 Joeys Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Knox City	3	3	0	0	13	1	9
Whitehorse	3	3	0	0	4	0	9
Ashburton	3	2	1	0	6	0	7
Boroondara Lions	3	2	0	1	9	5	6
Glen Waverley	3	1	1	1	1	4	4
East Bentleigh	3	1	0	2	5	7	3
Richmond	2	0	0	2	1	5	0
North Caulfield	2	0	0	2	1	5	0
Oakleigh	2	0	0	2	1	7	0
Doncaster Rovers	2	0	0	2	0	7	0

Boys North 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Heidelberg Stars	3	2	0	1	11	5	6
Northcote City	3	2	0	1	9	6	6
Essendon Royals	3	2	0	1	6	5	6
Whittlesea Zebras	3	1	2	0	6	3	5
Bundoora Utd	2	1	1	0	5	2	4
Brunswick Zebras	2	1	0	1	4	6	3
Coburg Utd	2	0	1	1	3	6	1
Epping City	3	0	1	2	3	8	1
Moreland Utd	3	0	1	2	5	11	1

Boys North 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Light Utd	3	3	0	0	31	1	9
Essendon Utd	3	3	0	0	18	1	9
Watsonia Heights	3	2	1	0	12	5	7
Hume Utd	3	2	0	1	19	5	6
DOC United FC	3	2	0	1	17	5	6
Moreland Wolves	3	1	1	1	8	9	4
Bundoora Utd	3	1	0	2	7	10	3
Mitchell Rangers	3	0	0	3	3	18	0
Sunbury Utd	3	0	0	3	0	24	0
Brunswick Zebras	3	0	0	3	2	39	0

Boys North 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals	3	3	0	0	17	3	9
Moreland City	3	2	1	0	9	2	7
Fawkner	3	2	0	1	18	7	6
Bundoora Utd	3	2	0	1	5	4	6
Brunswick Zebras	3	1	1	1	7	6	4
Epping City	3	1	1	1	7	6	4
Lalor Utd	3	1	1	1	4	7	4
Whittlesea Zebras	3	1	0	2	10	7	3
Light Utd	3	0	0	3	4	13	0
Heidelberg Utd	3	0	0	3	1	27	0

Boys North 15 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Moreland Utd	3	3	0	0	17	0	9
Plenty Valley Lions	3	2	0	1	16	7	6
Northcote City	3	2	0	1	11	3	6
Diamond Valley Utd	3	2	0	1	6	9	6
Brunswick City	2	1	1	0	6	3	4
Epping City	3	1	1	1	9	11	4
Bundoora Utd	2	1	0	1	5	5	3
Watsonia Heights	3	0	1	2	7	14	1
Heidelberg Stars	3	0	1	2	4	12	1
Moreland City	3	0	0	3	2	19	0

Boys North 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Fawkner	3	3	0	0	10	1	9
Bundoora Utd	3	2	1	0	12	5	7
Light Utd	3	2	1	0	8	4	7
Preston Lions	2	2	0	0	10	0	6
Essendon Royals	3	1	1	1	4	8	4
Epping City	2	1	0	1	2	2	3
Eltham North	3	1	0	2	3	4	3
Sunbury Utd	3	0	1	2	2	5	1
Greenvale Utd	3	0	0	3	1	8	0
Clifton Hill	3	0	0	3	1	16	0

Boys North 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Banyule City	3	3	0	0	18	2	9
Moreland City	3	2	1	0	7	3	7
Brunswick Zebras	2	2	0	0	10	1	6
Whittlesea Zebras	3	2	0	1	12	6	6
Fawkner	2	2	0	0	6	1	6
Meadow Park	3	1	1	1	5	4	4
Bundoora Utd	3	0	1	2	1	4	1
Watsonia Heights	3	0	1	2	3	8	1
Northcote City	3	0	0	3	5	15	0
Epping City	3	0	0	3	0	23	0

Boys North 14 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
FC City Central	3	3	0	0	28	0	9
Moreland Wolves	3	3	0	0	18	7	9
Alphington	3	1	2	0	8	4	5
Essendon Royals	3	1	1	1	10	9	4
Banyule City	3	1	0	2	3	14	3
Brunswick Zebras	3	0	2	1	6	11	2
Coburg Utd	3	0	1	2	4	11	1
North City Lions	0			0	0	0	
Eltham North	3	0	0	3	0	21	0

Boys North 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Zebras	2	2	0	0	15	1	6
Brunswick City	2	2	0	0	9	0	6
North City Lions	3	1	1	1	9	2	4
Epping City	3	1	1	1	3	4	4
Preston Lions	1	1	0	0	1	0	3
Essendon Royals	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
Diamond Valley Utd	2	0	1	1	1	2	1
Moreland City	2	0	1	1	1	2	1
Reservoir Strikers	3	0	0	3	0	28	0

Boys North 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Fawkner	3	3	0	0	13	0	9
Alphington	3	3	0	0	11	3	9
Hume Utd	3	2	1	0	10	1	7
Clifton Hill	3	2	0	1	14	4	6
Essendon Utd	3	1	1	1	7	7	4
Brunswick Zebras	3	1	1	1	2	3	4
Lalor Utd	3	1	0	2	3	13	3
Eltham North	3	0	1	2	5	13	1
Epping City	3	0	0	3	1	9	0
Watsonia Heights	3	0	0	3	2	15	0

Boys North 12 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Light Utd	3	3	0	0	6	2	9
Coburg Utd	2	2	0	0	9	1	6
Epping City	3	2	0	1	7	2	6
Whittlesea Zebras	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
Brunswick City	2	1	1	0	2	1	4
Bundoora Utd	3	1	1	1	6	10	4
Eltham North	3	1	0	2	4	5	3
Hume Utd	3	1	0	2	1	4	3
Essendon Royals	3	0	0	3	2	7	0
Meadow Park	3	0	0	3	6	13	0

Boys North 12 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brunswick Zebras	3	3	0	0	15	3	9
Greenvale Utd	3	3	0	0	10	1	9
Preston Lions	2	2	0	0	9	0	6
Northcote City	3	2	0	1	8	9	6
Light Utd	2	1	0	1	4	2	4
Coburg Utd	3	1	0	2	5	8	3
Eltham North	3	1	0	2	4	8	3
Moreland City	3	0	1	2	3	9	1
Moreland Wolves	3	0	0	3	4	10	0
Fawkner	3	0	0	3	1	13	0

Boys North 12 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Moreland Utd	3	3	0	0	11	1	9
Hume Utd	3	2	1	0	14	2	7
Essendon Royals	3	2	1	0	9	4	7
Epping City	3	2	0	1	6	6	6
Banyule City	2	1	0	1	4	4	3
Watsonia Heights	3	1	0	2	2	3	3
Alphington	3	1	0	2	4	6	3
Diamond Valley Utd	2	0	1	1	2	3	1
Heidelberg Utd	3	0	1	2	3	6	1
Sunbury Utd	3	0	0	3	1	21	0

Boys North 12 D

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
North Lions	3	3	0	0	24	1	9
DOC United FC	3	3	0	0	18	6	9
Plenty Valley Lions	3	3	0	0	13	1	9
Brunswick Zebras	3	2	0	1	13	6	6
Bundoora Utd	3	2	0	1	7	9	6
Pascoe Vale	3	1	0	2	13	11	3
Broadmeadows Utd	3	1	0	2	3	13	3
North City Lions	3	0	0	3	2	12	0
Mitchell Rangers	3	0	0	3	3	14	0
Eltham North	3	0	0	3	3	26	0

Boys North 11 Kangaroos Yellow

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Lalor Utd	3	2	1	0	15	4	7
Sunbury Utd	3	1	2	0	3	2	5
Brunswick City	2	1	1	0	7	1	4
Epping City	3	1	1	1	8	6	4
Fawkner	3	1	1	1	4	3	4
Brunswick Zebras	2	1	0	1	5	5	3
Diamond Valley Utd	2	1	0	1	2	5	3
Bundoora Utd	3	0	2	1	4	6	2
Heidelberg Stars	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Meadow Park	2	0	0	2	2	17	0

Boys North 11 Joeys Blu

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Light Utd	3	3	0	0	20	0	9
Northcote City	3	2	0	1	6	2	6
Moreland Utd	3	2	0	1	5	2	6
Bundoora Utd	2	1	1	0	1	0	4
Moreland City	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
Avondale Heights	2	1	0	1	3	5	3
Fawkner	2	0	1	1	0	2	1
Mitchell Rangers	3	0	1	2	2	12	1
Banyule City	3	0	0	3	0	14	0

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Orange

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Essendon Royals 1	3	3	0	0	31	0	9
Essendon Royals 2	3	2	1	0	11	3	7
Eltham North 1	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
Yarraville	3	1	1	1	7	8	4
Alphington 1	3	1	1	1	5	10	4
Greenvale Utd	2	1	0	1	5	2	3
Watsonia Heights	3	1	0	2	2	8	3
Heidelberg Utd	3	1	0	2	4	13	3
Alphington 2	3	1	0	2	2	11	3
Eltham North 2	2	0	0	2	0	12	0

Boys North 11 Joeys/Kangaroos Red

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Whittlesea Zebras	3	3	0	0	26	0	9
North City Lions	3	3	0	0	16	1	9
St. Albans Saints	3	2	1	0	14	1	7
Plenty Valley Lions	3	1	1	1	12	8	4
Hume Utd	3	1	1	1	1	5	4
Clifton Hill	3	1	1	1	4	10	4
Upfield	3	1	0	2	5	19	3
Moreland Wolves	3	0	1	2	4	9	1
Brunswick Zebras	3	0	1	2	2	9	1
Watsonia Heights	3	0	0	3	2	24	0

Boys West 16 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
South Yarra	2	2	0	0	6	0	6
Green Gully	3	2	0	1	8	3	6
Gisborne	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
Keilor Park	3	1	2	0	6	3	5
Ballarat Academy Of S	3	1	1	1	4	4	4
Williamstown	3	1	0	2	3	5	3
Hoppers Crossing	2	1	0	1	2	4	3
Sunbury Utd	3	0	1	2	1	7	1
Laverton Park	2	0	0	2	1	7	0

Boys West 16 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Werribee City	3	3	0	0	17	4	9
Reservoir Strikers	3	2	1	0	9	5	7
South Yarra	3	2	0	1	11	10	6
Altona East	3	1	1	1	9	11	4
Altona City	3	1	1	1	3	5	4
Western Eagles	2	1	0	1	7	1	3
Melton	2	1	0	1	4	7	3
Sydenham Park	3	1	0	2	8	12	3
Brimbank	3	0	1	2	8	13	1
Melbourne Lions	3	0	0	3	3	11	0

Boys West 15 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Altona East	3	3	0	0	9	0	9
Brimbank City	3	3	0	0	9	4	9
Sunshine Georgies	3	2	1	0	19	3	7
Geelong	3	2	0	1	4	1	6
GRFA	2	1	0	1	7	4	3
Werribee City	2	0	1	1	3	6	1
Green Gully	2	0	0	2	2	8	0
Sydenham Park	3	0	0	3	0	9	0
Keilor Park	3	0	0	3	0	18	0

Boys West 15 B North/West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Williamstown	3	3	0	0	23	2	9
Keilor Wolves	3	3	0	0	18	5	9
Port Melbourne	3	2	0	1	15	10	6
Hoppers Crossing	3	1	0	2	11	5	3
Altona City	3	1	0	2	12	13	3
Lalor Utd	3	1	0	2	5	13	3
Carlton Youth	3	1	0	2	8	19	3
Bacchus Marsh JSC	3	0	0	3	1	26	0

Boys West 14 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
North Geelong Warriors	3	3	0	0	10	0	9
Sydenham Park	3	2	1	0	13	5	7
Sunshine Georgies	3	2	0	1	9	4	6
Werribee City	3	2	0	1	9	6	6
GRFA	3	1	1	1	6	5	4
Sunshine Heights	3	1	1	1	2	3	4
Altona East	3	1	1	1	3	5	4
South Yarra	3	1	0	2	5	14	3
St. Albans	3	0	0	3	4	11	0
Hoppers Crossing	3	0	0	3	3	11	0

Boys West 14 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Green Gully	3	3	0	0	14	1	9
Keilor Park	3	3	0	0	9	1	9
Western Eagles	3	2	0	1	8	5	6
Melton	3	1	0	2	23	7	3
Ballarat Academy Of	2	1	0	1	4	4	3
Brimbank	3	1	0	2	3	8	3
North Sunshine Eagle	3	0	0	3	3	15	0
Altona City	2	0	0	2	2	25	0

Boys West 14 C North/West

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Yarraville	3	2	1	0	12	4	7
Preston Lions	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Hoppers Crossing	3	2	0	1	10	12	6
Williamstown	3	1	2	0	10	3	5
Avondale Heights	2	1	1	0	7	1	4
Gisborne	3	0	3	0	2	2	3
Wyndham Olympic	3	1	0	2	6	8	3
Melton	3	0	2	1	2	9	2
Sunbury Utd	3	0	1	2	2	7	1
DOC United FC	3	0	0	3	5	15	0

Boys West 13 A

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Altona City	3	3	0	0	11	2	9
Gisborne	3	3	0	0	10	3	9
BASL	3	3	0	0	7	2	9
Laverton Park	3	2	0	1	10	4	6
Sunshine Georgies	3	2	0	1	5	4	6
Geelong	3	1	0	2	5	8	3
Keilor Park	3	1	0	2	4	10	3
Cairnlea	3	0	0	3	3	8	0
Williamstown	3	0	0	3	2	8	0
Green Gully	3	0	0	3	3	11	0

Boys West 13 B

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
Brimbank City	3	3	0	0	15	5	9
Ballarat Academy Of S	3	3	0	0	10	4	9
Maribyrnong Greens	3	2	0	1	9	4	6
Melton	3	2	0	1	6	4	6
Sydenham Park	3	1	1	1	10	8	4
Brimbank	3	1	0	2	9	5	3
Hoppers Crossing	3	1	0	2	9	12	3
Spring Hills	3	1	0	2	7	13	3
Williamstown	3	0	1	2	5	8	1
Werribee City	3	0	0	3	0	17	0

Boys West 13 C

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PT
AVA Seagulls	3	3	0	0	19	0	9
FC Birarrung JFC	3	2	1	0	11	5	7
Flemington Eagles	3	2	1	0	9	4	7
Bundoora Utd	3	2	0	1	14	4	6
Maribyrnong United

TARTAN TALK with Nic Townsend

Rangers' European Adventures.

Approximately 120,000 Rangers fans descended onto Manchester mid week in hope of seeing their team win only their second ever European trophy, and their first since 1972. But it wasn't to be as the Gers were comprehensively outplayed by Zenit St. Petersburg who won 2-0.

Ironically Zenit are coached by former Ger Dick Advocaat, the man who replaced Walter Smith the first time around. Also ironic is the fact that the European final scheduled for England involved a Russian club, while the final schedule for Moscow involved two English clubs.

The loss means that Scotland's drought in European club competitions extends to 26 years, with Aberdeen's Cup Winners' Cup in 1983 being the most recent trophy taken from a Scottish club. But if Celtic's experience in 2003 is anything to go by, the journey to the final will long be remembered and celebrating like any other famous victory. It is very rare for an Old Firm manager to have anything close to resembling job security but when Martin O'Neil took the Bhoys to a heart-breaking loss to Porto in Seville, in the eyes of Celtic fans he could do no wrong ever after. To this day he is still held up as the messiah and as Gordon Strachan is painfully aware every manager since will be compared his achievements. After his first full season back in charge Walter Smith has guaranteed himself similar cult status at Ibrox.

Rangers fans get into the spirit of things prior to the UEFA Cup Final defeat to Dick Advocaat's Zenit St Petersburg.

Back In Scotland

With the UEFA Cup now over, Rangers can now concentrate on their domestic duties. The dream of four trophies might be over but they're still on target for a domestic treble. This Thursday night will see the last round of matches for the season. Still in the midst of heavy fixture congestion Rangers had to play again last Sunday, than another match against St.Mirren on Monday night, before their final match against Aberdeen on Thursday. Celtic by contrast only have one game left against Dundee United.

Rangers are in control of their own future. As long as they don't drop points they will win the premiership. But only one draw is needed in any of those final three games, and they will have given Celtic a chance to catch up and snatch the title. Finally on Saturday the Gers will play First Division's Queen of the South in the Scottish Cup final. Assuming they can win that fixture, the win will either be compensation for losing the title or the 'icing on the cake' of an incredible season.

English Season Ends

The English season ended last weekend and looking at the final table there really weren't too many surprises. Manchester United and Chelsea claimed the top two positions, Arsenal and Liverpool made out the final four. Two of the relegated teams, Derby and Birmingham, had only just been promoted from last season while the third, Reading, were also a recent addition to the Premier League.

Despite the season going right down to the final minutes of the final round of matches, the end result was rather predictable. Some clubs like Aston Villa, Everton and Manchester City played slightly better than expected, and other clubs such as Tottenham played slightly worse. But at the end of the day if you showed this season's table to any pundit 10 months ago it wouldn't have caused much of a sensation. Perhaps Kevin Keegan is right to claim that the Premier League is at risk of becoming boring.

Play-Offs

By contrast the incredibly even Championship continued to throw up surprises. Recent Premier League sides Watford and Crystal Palace were dumped out of the play-offs this week and will have to contend with another season in the second tier. Bristol City and Hull, two teams playing in League 1 not so long ago, will play-off for the final spot in the Premier League. The standard might not be the same but no one could accuse it of being boring and predictable.

Gossip and Transfer Speculation from the English Media...

End Of An Era For Rijkaard

Frank Rijkaard saw the curtain come down on his five-year spell as Barcelona coach on Saturday with his final match one to remember as Giovani dos Santos bagged a hat-trick in a 5-3 win over relegated Real Murcia.

Rijkaard, 45, will go down in Barcelona folklore after becoming only the second coach to guide the club to Champions League glory matching the 1992 European Cup success of the great Johan Cruyff team.

"It has been a great honour for me," Rijkaard said. "I prefer to focus on the lovely things I have experienced, the people I have worked with, the friendship with people I will carry with me in my heart forever.

Rijkaard arrived at Barca in 2003 after managerial spells with Sparta Rotterdam and the Dutch national team and he found a Barca side in transition.

His inspirational signings of Deco, Ronaldinho and Samuel Eto'o pushed the club forward and league titles in 2005 and 2006 were capped by the 2-1 Champions League victory over Arsenal in the same year.

Red Champagne On Ice

Alessandro Del Piero scored twice to help Juventus complete their Serie A season with a 3-3 draw against Sampdoria and deliver a timely Euro 2008 reminder to national team coach Roberto Donadoni.

The veteran attacker, who has been consistently overlooked by the world champions, also took his league goal tally to 21 to make him the top scorer in Serie A this season.

Only Genoa striker Marco Borriello, who has 19 goals, can depose him from the top scorers chart when he takes the field against Atalanta on Sunday.

Juve were already assured of finishing third in the table and will play in the final Champions League qualifying round next season, just a year after winning promotion from Serie B to where they had been demoted as punishment for the match-fixing scandal of 2006.

After the match, Del Piero admitted he hadn't heard from Donadoni with the Euro 2008 squad announcement due to take place on Tuesday.

"There is a question mark over the matter, but still no news to report," he said.

"I am still waiting."

Redknapp: Do It Again!

Portsmouth manager Harry Redknapp challenged his side to make a swift return to Wembley after seeing them beat Cardiff City 1-0 in the FA Cup final.

Saturday's victory, secured by Nwankwo Kanu's goal, was the first time the south club had been in a major Wembley final since beating Wolves to win the 1939 FA Cup - the last before the Second World War.

But Redknapp, who had already guided Portsmouth to an impressive eighth place in the Premier League this season, is eager for more silverware after the first significant trophy of his career as either a player or a manager.

Expectations are now bound to rise at Fratton Park, with Portsmouth set for their first taste of European football after their Wembley heroics qualified them for the UEFA Cup.

However, the 61-year-old Redknapp was already thinking of strengthening his squad having ended the 'Big Four' of Manchester United, Chelsea, Arsenal and Liverpool's 13-year FA Cup monopoly.

"I'll be looking for the top half of the table again and maybe another Wembley trip. That will do nicely."

Sven Awaits On Next Step

Manchester City's embattled manager Sven-Goran Eriksson declined to comment about his future on Saturday after his side were humbled 3-1 by a team of Thai League all-stars in a post-season friendly in Bangkok.

The former England manager also refused to be drawn on his relationship with club owner Thaksin Shinawatra, the former Thai prime minister who was in the stands for a match that drew heavy publicity but not much of a crowd.

"There is still time," said the Swede, who enjoys huge support from the City fans, who are disgusted with the way he has been treated by Thaksin.

"I don't have to think about it today."

Eriksson, who has been linked with a third spell with Portuguese side Benfica, arrived in Thailand this week on the heels of City's humiliating 8-1 defeat at Middlesbrough in their final match of the English season.

Despite leading City to ninth place in the Premier League, he has been under pressure from Thaksin - and was due to meet with him during the Thailand stop on the promotional tour, which next goes to Hong Kong.

Club spokesman Paul Tyrrell said on Thursday the club would be making no official comment other than confirming a review was being carried out into all aspects of the team's operations.

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